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## LIST OF ACRONYMS

ALTC	Altitude-Course
ALTF	Altitude-Fine
BCLK/	Bus Clock
BDEN	Board Enable
BDSEL	Board Select
BIT	Binary Digit
BYTE	Eight Bits
CPU	Central Processing Unit
DATAEN	Data Enable
DBIN	Data Bus In
DIP	Dual In-Line Package
ENDCK	End Check
EPROM	Electrically Programmable Read Only Memory
FIFO	First In-First Out
GDATA	Good Data
ICE	In Circuit Emulator
I/O	Input-Output
ISIS	Intel System Implementation Supervisor
K	1024
KHZ	Kilohertz
LSI	Large Scale Integrated Circuit
M	Mega or $(1024)^2$
MBM	Magnetic Bubble Memory
MDS	Microcomputer Development System



MEMEN	Memory Enable
MIL STD	Military Standard
MNOS	Metal Nitride Oxide Semiconductor
MRDC	Memory Read Command
MWRC	Memory Write Command
NOP	No-Operation
PFWP	Power Fail Warning
PLM	Programming Language for Microcomputers
RAM	Random Access Memory
RDCTRCL	Read Counter Clear
ROM	Read Only Memory
SBC	Single Board Computer
STACKPTR	Stack Pointer
TFG	Timing Function Generator
TI	Texas Instruments
TTL	Transistor-Transistor Logic
VDC	Volts Direct Current



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## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. BACKGROUND

The need for a light, crash survivable, compact data recorder for Naval aircraft is well established. Information which identifies the cause of the loss of one aircraft can often point to a weakness that may affect several others. Recognizing this formally, the Chief of Naval Operations has required the inclusion of crash recorders in all new Navy aircraft.

A crash recorder must utilize a recording medium that is non-volatile, as the data may not be recovered for weeks or months after being recorded. Additionally, if the recording medium is reusable, then no service action is required to install the new recording medium.

In the past, obstacles to the solution of the recording problem have included the cost, the reliability of mechanical recorders, the size and weight of any system proposed for a small aircraft, and the mass memory size required when implemented by a solid state system.

Reference [1] demonstrated that by ignoring redundant data, or "compressing" the data, one can reduce the size of the required memory by 25%-50%.

Solid state non-volatile data storage using an MNOS (Metal Nitride Oxide Semiconductor) module was demonstrated in Reference [2]. Until recently solid state non-volatile memories have been too bulky. Solid state Magnetic Bubble Memory (MBM) overcomes these problems by offering a quantum step forward in size, weight, cost/bit and reliability. By combining the processing power of the microcomputer with the dense memory





capacity of the MBM, a low cost, small size, highly reliable recording system becomes available for multipurpose use.

Because the processing speed of the microcomputer exceeds what is needed for recording data, and because system status data is available, the system can also be used as a flight monitor to aid the pilot in making critical decisions.

During an aircraft launch, approach, or combat engagement, decision time is critical. Analysis of pertinent factors relating to take-off abort, wave off, or ejection may require split second pilot decisions. The speed and power of the microcomputer can be used to monitor the aircraft state and greatly assist the pilot in such situations. Utilizing the same equipment and data as the recorder, no additional cost other than software is incurred for a substantial increase in capability.

## B. THE MONITOR/RECORDER SYSTEM

This thesis consists of the system design and construction of a development prototype microcomputer monitor and data recorder. A non-volatile MBM module is constructed to function as a remote mass memory through appropriate interface circuitry. The memory module is designed so that it can be located in a survivable airfoil, and thus the system can function as a crash recorder.

The present system utilizes current production equipment for all components. With the advent of single chip controllers implementing CPU, CLOCK, EPROM/RAM memory and I/O functions on a single chip, future size reductions will be significant. Future system design centered



around such devices utilizing a single 400 cycle power supply can incorporate all required computer functions, except input bus interface, within 2-3 chips. Replacement of the current controller board and MBM prototype board with 3-5 LSI chips as these modules come into greater use will similarly reduce the size of this part of the system. Implementation of the complete unit on a 5" x 7" circuit board, with out power supply and input bus interface, is a realistic expectation within one to three years.

Section II gives an overview of the constructed digital data recording system, as well as the peripheral equipment interfaced to it for field test and modification.

Section III discusses interrupt versus status checks for software control. Important additional capabilities of the system, with recommendations for future implementation are also discussed.

Appendix A discusses bubble memory technology, with notes relating to some of its critical parameters. The developed programs are listed in Appendix B. Appendix C contains detailed hardware information, schematics and peripheral systems interface information.





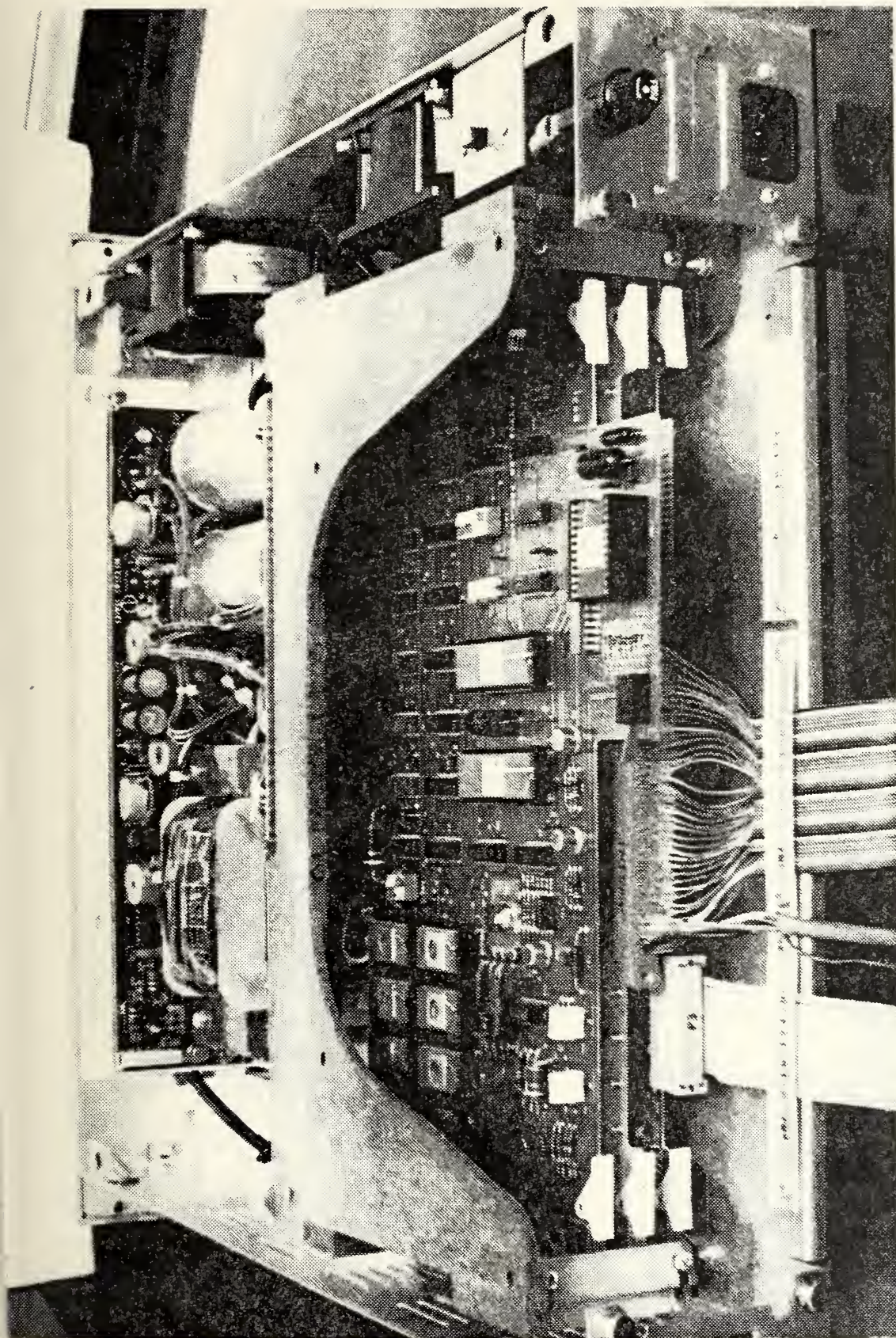


FIGURE 1  
MICROCOMPUTER SAFETY MONITOR AND FLIGHT DATA RECORDER





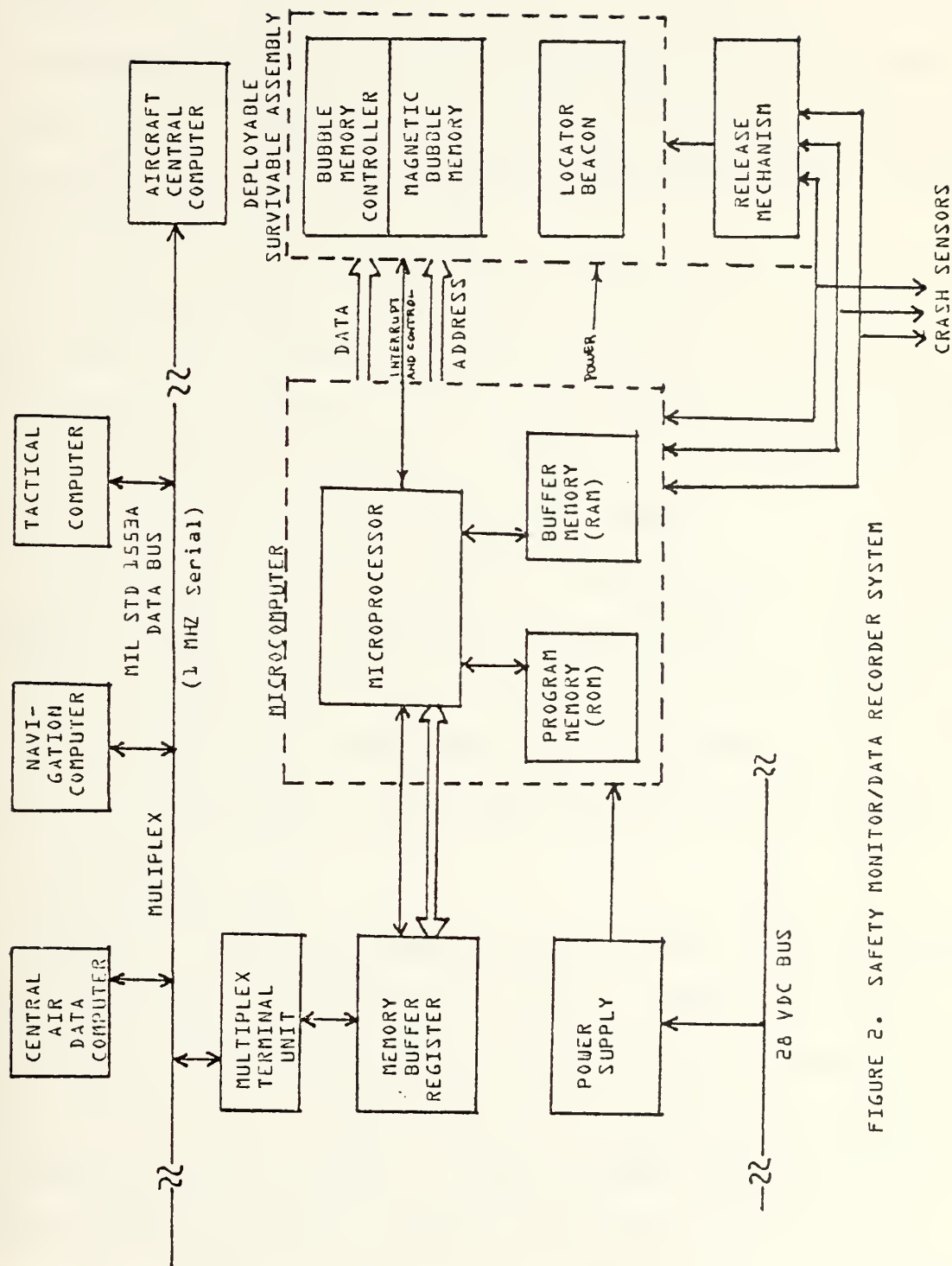


FIGURE 2. SAFETY MONITOR/DATA RECORDER SYSTEM





## II. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

### A. GENERAL

The microcomputer monitor and data recording system is illustrated in Figure 1 and is comprised of two major assemblies; a general purpose microcomputer system and a remote magnetic bubble memory module. Figure 2 depicts the system at a block level.

As depicted in Figure 2, the system is designed to receive aircraft status data that is assumed to be received on a MIL STD 1553 data bus. This information is buffered and sent to the general purpose microcomputer. The microcomputer analyzes the data, compresses it, and sends the compacted data to storage in the magnetic bubble module.

The MBM controller receives the data from the computer. Here it is converted to serial data and stored in the bubble memory. The MBM module is part of an escape capsule that is designed to be survivable in the event of aircraft crash. (Reference [2] goes into greater detail in this area.) It is housed with a locator beacon to facilitate its recovery.

### B. MICROCOMPUTER SYSTEM

The general purpose microcomputer system consists of an Intel 80/20-4 Single Board Computer (SBC) mounted in a rack suitable for a total of four boards. An integral DC supply provides all required power with the exception of +17 volts. This deficiency will be discussed in Appendix C. An ICOM model PP80 MDS/SBC 80/20-R PROM programmer board with resident software and 7K of expansion EPROM has been added in the card case to provide resident program modification capability, as well as additional





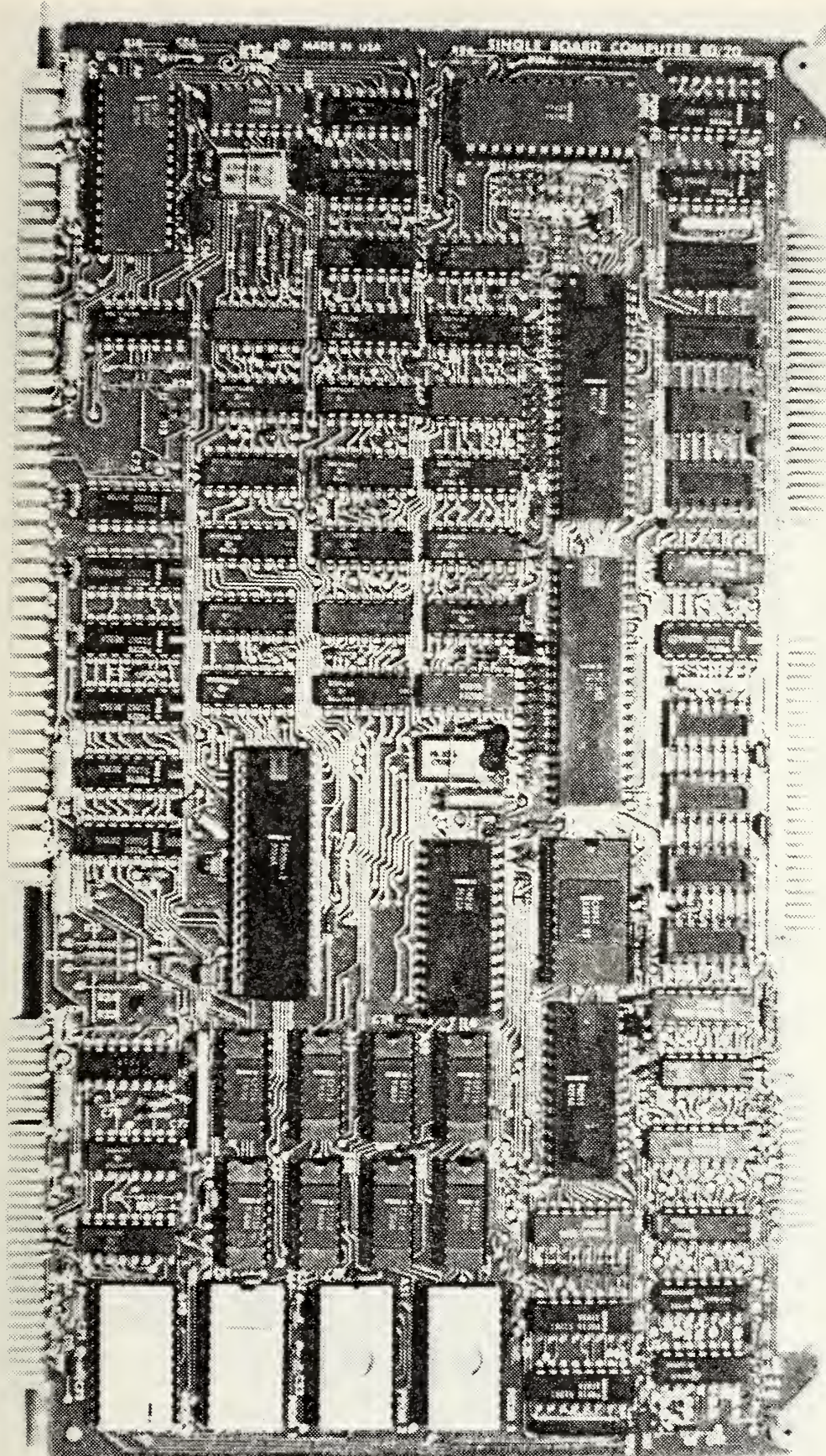


FIGURE 3

SBC 80/20-4







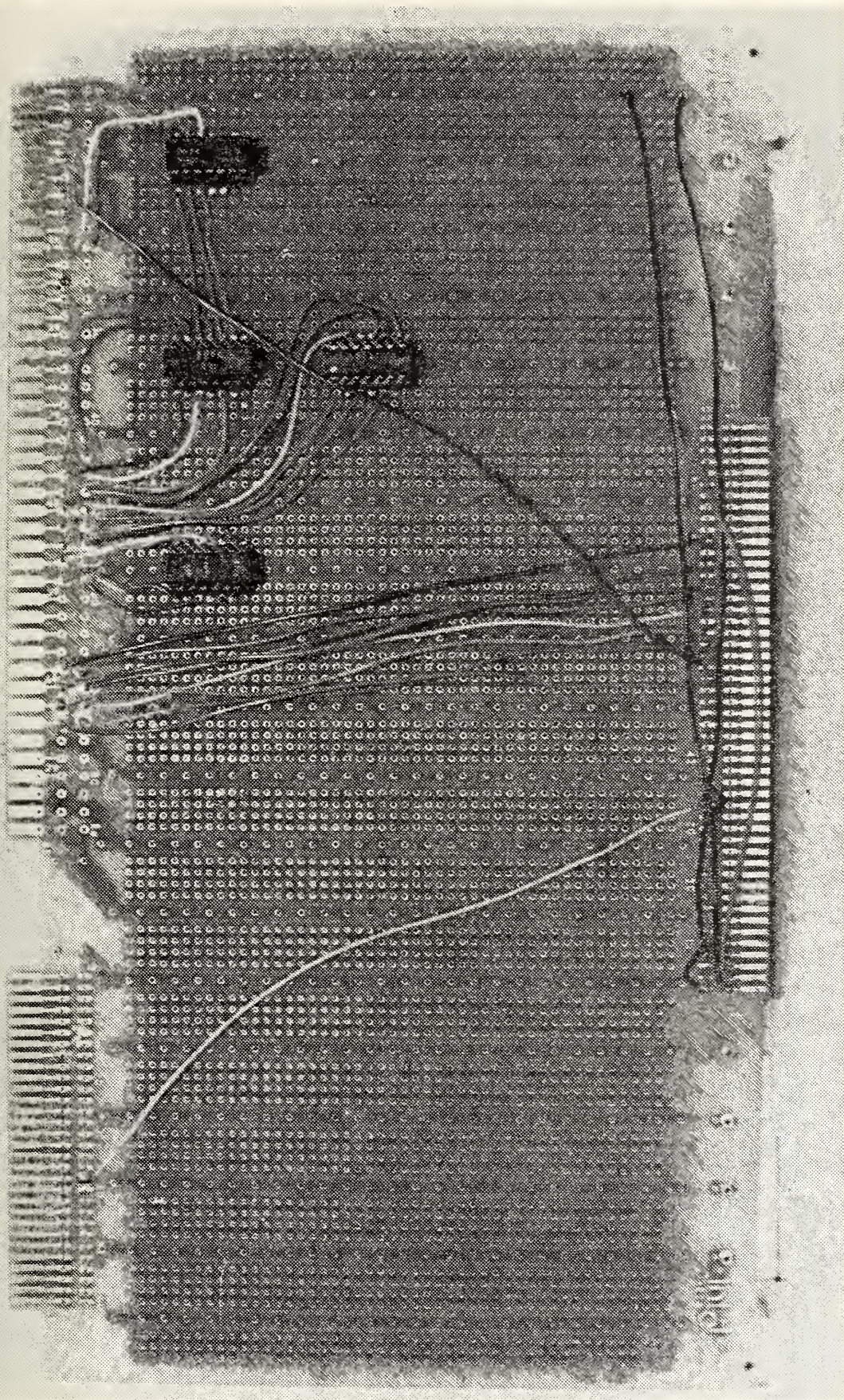


FIGURE 4  
INTERFACE BOARD







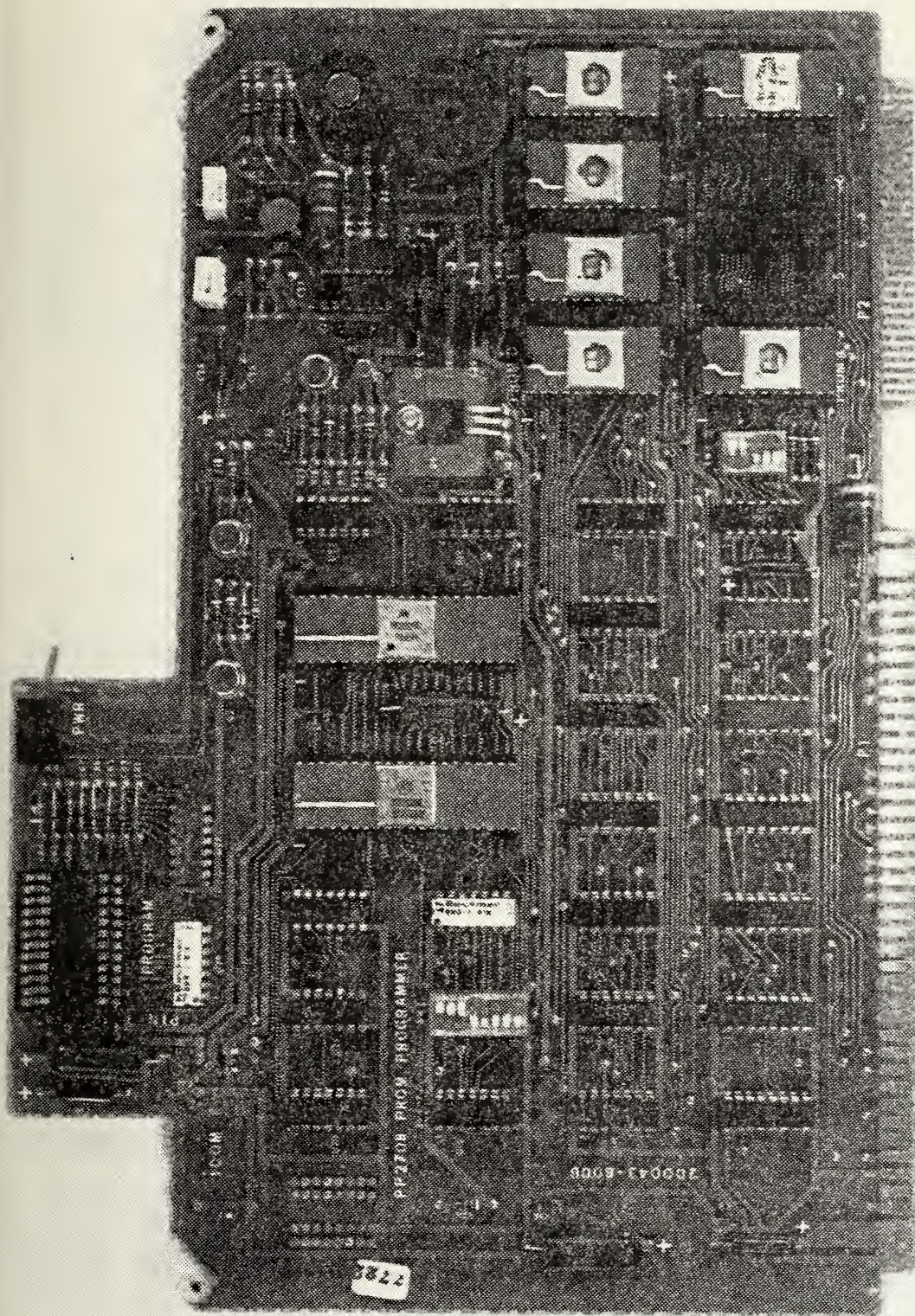


FIGURE 5  
ICOM PROM PROGRAMMER







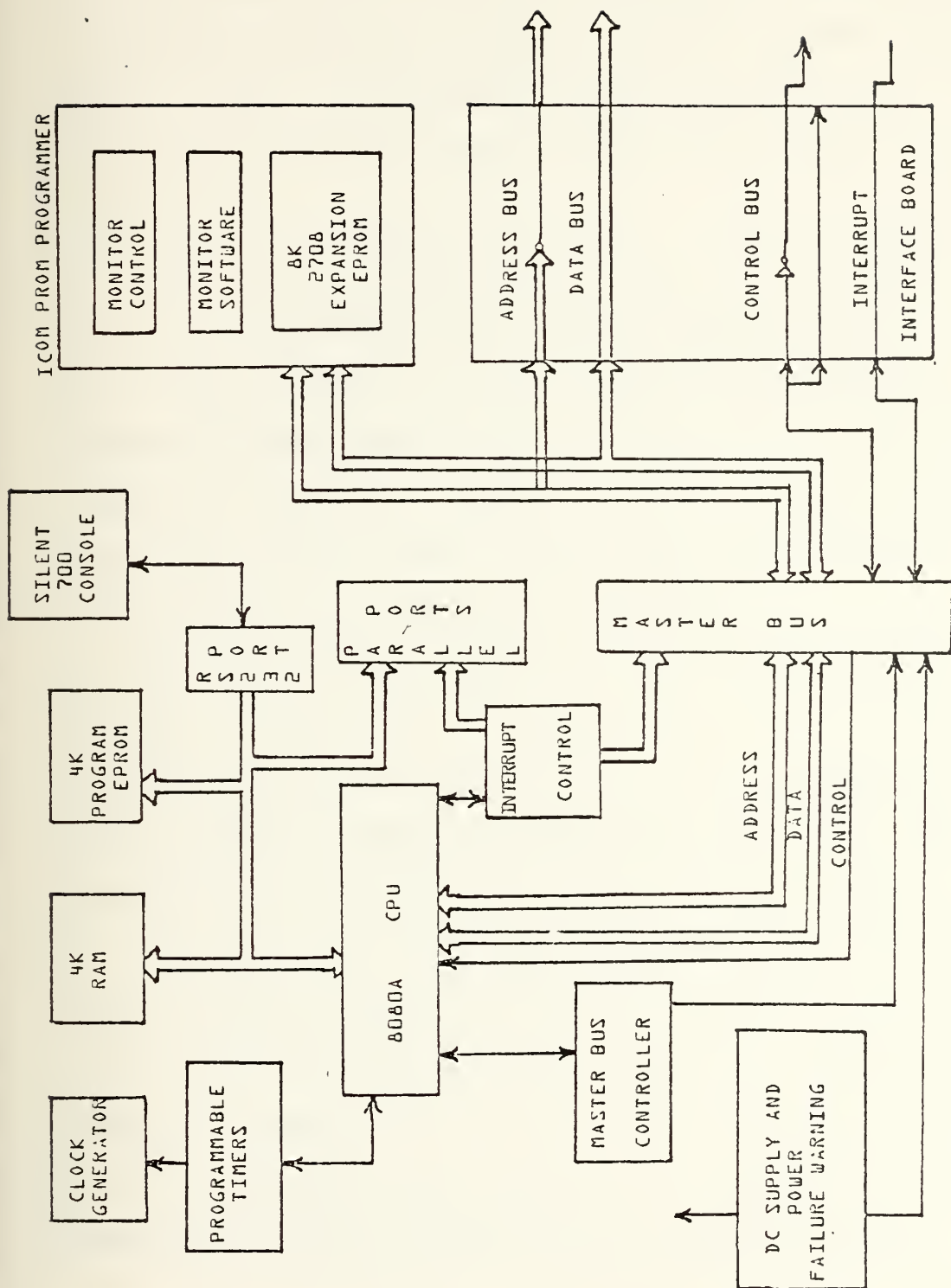


FIGURE 6  
BLOCK DIAGRAM OF MICROCOMPUTER GROUP

SYSTEM 80/20



program storage. The third board in the cage is an interface board to accomplish all electrical interface to the remote magnetic bubble memory module. There is room for one more board in the card cage. It is anticipated that the MIL STD 1553 data bus interface would go on this in the future.

The Intel 80/20-4 Single Board Computer (SBC) is the heart of the system. The System 80/20-4 Microcomputer Hardware Reference Manual (Preliminary) [Reference (3)], and the SBC 80/20-4 Single Board Computer Hardware Reference Manual [Reference (10)], discuss in detail the many facets of its operation. Figures 3, 4, and 5 illustrate the boards within the computing system. Figure 6 depicts the system in a detailed block diagram, as configured for this project.

The System 80/20 was chosen due to its flexible interrupt structure, its power failure warning circuitry, and its multi-master bus configuration. With 4K bytes of resident EPROM, (2K of which is system monitor), 7-8K bytes of expansion EPROM on the ICOM board, as well as 4K bytes of resident RAM, there are no effective memory limitations imposed.

The system is set up to operate on its monitor utilizing automatic baud rate selection to an RS-232 serial interface. A Texas Instruments Silent 700 Terminal was obtained and modified to allow portable system operation. Terminal modification and wiring are indicated in Appendix C.

Field test and software modification is supported by the ICOM PROM programmer and Texas Instruments Silent 700 portable terminal. Program verification and alteration are immediately available to allow custom interface or software alteration, as well as bubble down-load under





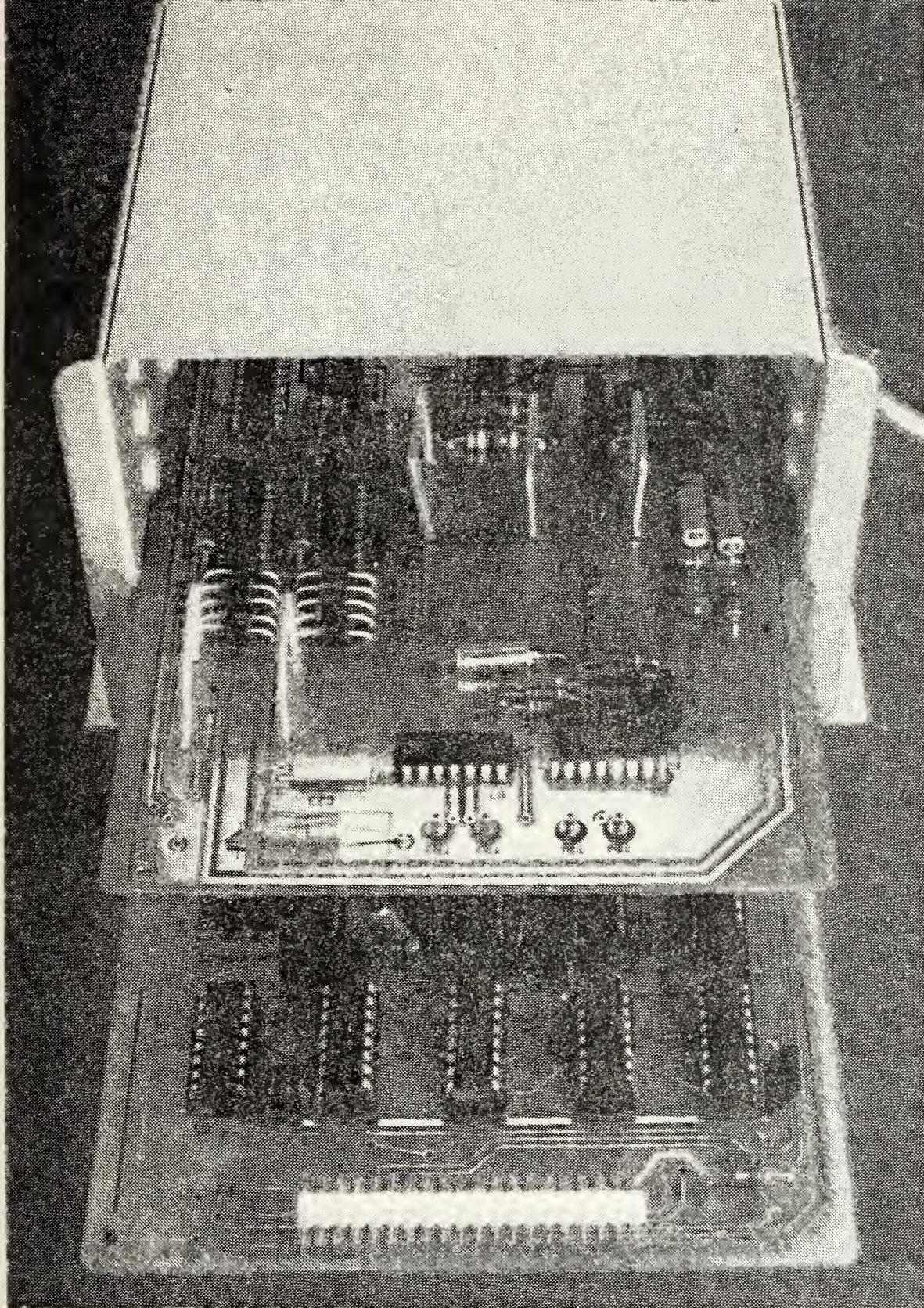


FIGURE 7  
MAGNETIC BUBBLE MODULE





program control in the flight or post flight environment. ICOM PROM programmer operation is detailed in the PROM Programmer Operations Manual [Reference (4)]. Terminal operation is outlined in the Silent 700 Model 745 Terminal Operating Instructions [Reference (9)].

### C. MAGNETIC BUBBLE MODULE

The magnetic bubble memory module is illustrated in Figure 7 and consists of two cards, housed together in a separate card cage. A forty-lead flat ribbon signal connector and a five-lead power cable connect to the interface board. The module consists of a magnetic bubble controller card and a magnetic bubble driver/sense amplifier card. Back-plane connections in the card cage transfer all required signals between the two boards.

Figures 9 and 11 are detailed block diagrams of the boards. The cards were locally built, utilizing first design printed circuit boards and schematic information from Texas Instruments (TI). These boards interface the TI TBM0101 magnetic bubble chip to the microcomputer as a TTL compatible interface. References [5] and [6] are the controller and bubble board detailed specification. References [7] and [8] are the electrical schematics and parts lists for each board.

#### 1. Magnetic Bubble Memory Board

The Magnetic Bubble Memory (MBM) board is illustrated in Figure 8 and detailed at the block level in Figure 9. Detailed operation is outlined in Magnetic Bubble Memory and System Interface Circuits (Reference [6]). An overview of MBM board operation follows.

Board enable (BDEN) is input low, producing an enable to the coil field drives, transfer, replicate, generate, and annihilate gates, and to





the output data driver. U7 and U8 are indirectly controlled via U4 enable.

Field drive signals (CXA, CXB, CYA, CYB) are input to U1/BE from the controller board coil drive output circuitry. These precisely timed square wave pulses are applied to the appropriate coil drives and cause triangular current output pulses from the field drivers. These outputs are applied to the X and Y coil drives out of phase to produce the 100 KHZ field as described in Reference [6]. The timing of these field drive signals is controlled by the controller board. Only level conversion and shaping are done on the bubble board.

Monitoring of bubble loop position is accomplished by the controller. It assumes the bubble is started from a zero page reference and as such it must be allowed to return to this zero reference prior to shutdown or powerdown. The time involved to return the loops to the zero reference can vary from 0 to 6.4 ms depending on loop positions at commencement of shut down.

Chips U2A and U2B are the Transfer gate drivers. U2A and U2B are functionally identical and drive the same gates. Timing differences in the micro sequence from the controller determine whether the pulse in the transfer loops will perform a transfer in or a transfer out. Chip U3A contains the Replicate driver, while U3B contains the Annihilate driver. Again these two chips are schematically identical and drive a common gate. The difference in their function is accomplished via timing. Along with U4A, the combination of Replicate, Annihilate and Generate accomplish the bubble read/write function. The chips themselves are identical as are the output drive transistors. Control signals for the MBM board





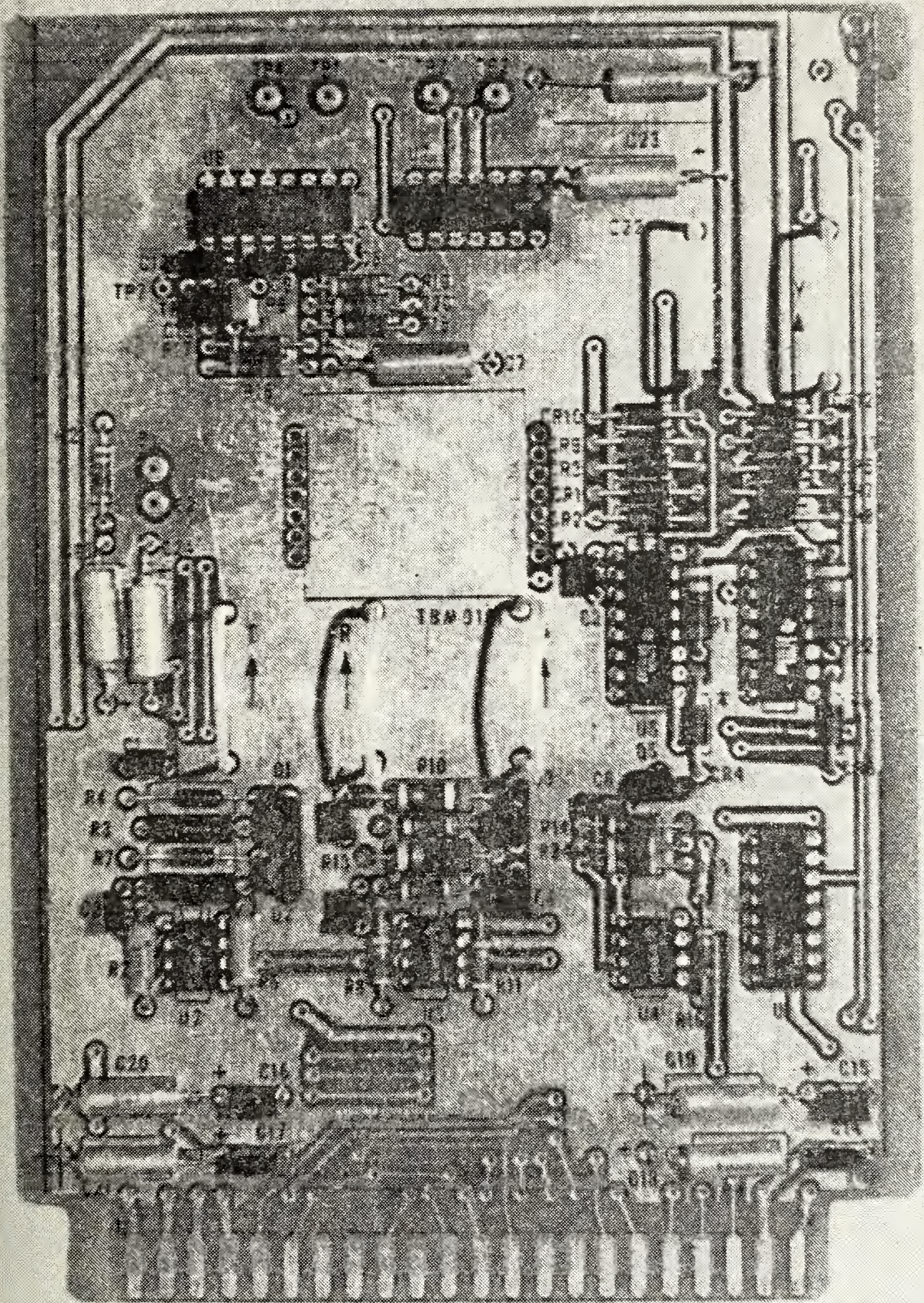
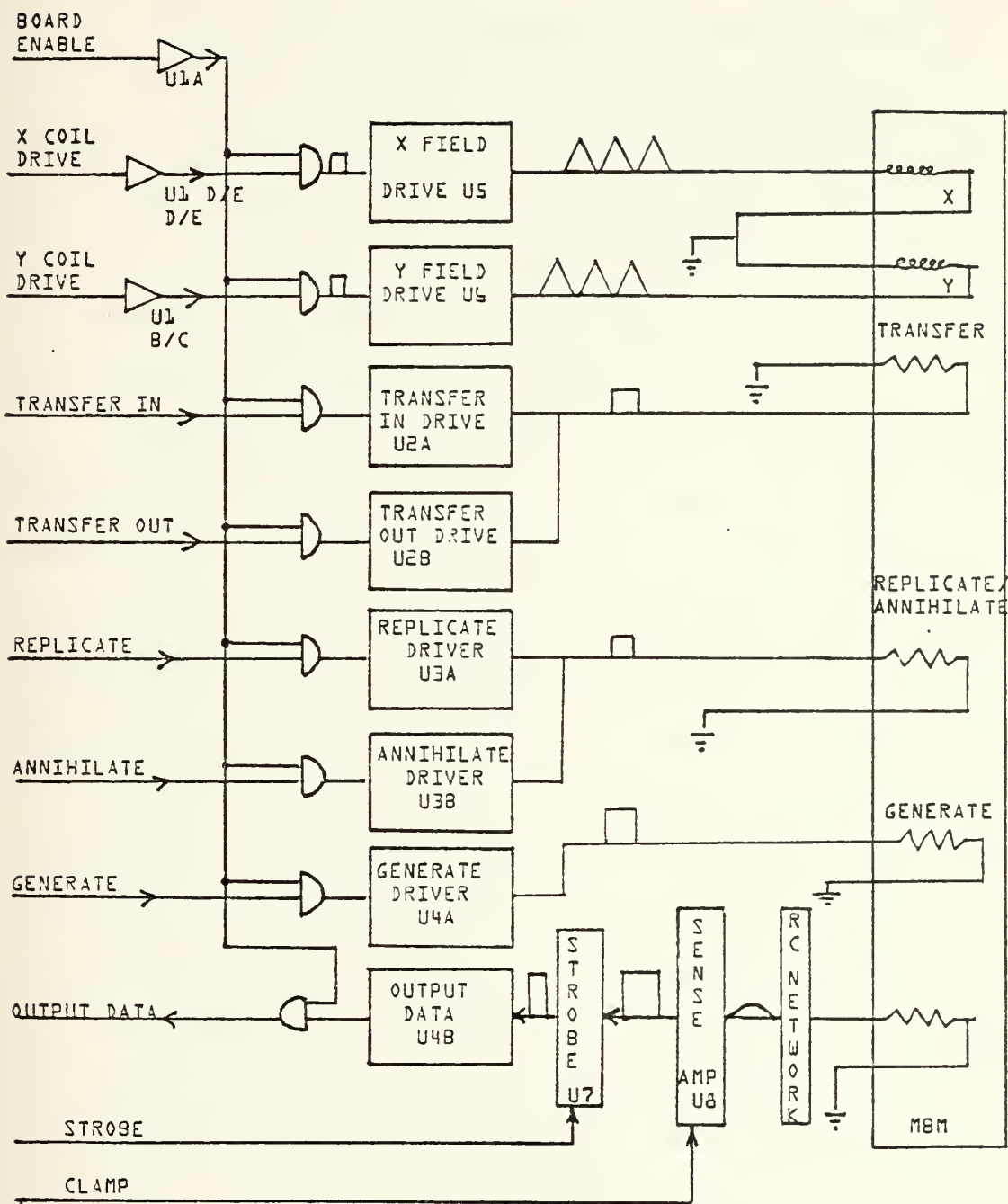


FIGURE 8  
MBM PROTOTYPE BOARD







MAGNETIC BUBBLE MEMORY EVALUATION BOARD

FIGURE 9



are received as inputs from the Controller board. The Timing Function Generator sequences the chips to accomplish all required functions.

Output data sensing is accomplished via U4B, U7, U8 and the R/C network. When an analog bubble signal is sensed in the detectors it is coupled to the sense amplifiers, amplified and digitized via the clamp signal. The sense amplifier output is applied to latch U7 where it is strobed to the output driver, U4B. The output of this driver is then transferred to the controller as digital bubble data.

Reference [6] points out that the gates in the bubble memory chip make excellent fuses due to their small size. Discussion with TI personnel bears this out as a major failure area. For this reason a resistive equivalent for the bubble chip elements was constructed for the testing phase, utilizing specification information of Reference [6]. Prior to bubble chip insertion, all signals should be verified for timing. In particular, the polarity, pulse width, and duty cycle of the gate drive waveforms should correspond with those of Reference [6]. The five large wire loops are for final verification of current waveforms prior to bubble chip insertion, and for verification with the bubble installed. Utilizing a current probe, the circuit waveforms may be verified at the bubble. At test completion these loops may be reduced to straight wire runs to the bubble chip, for a more compact design. All timing waveforms are referenced with respect to the leading (falling) edge of CXB/, Pin 18. This signal, input as an external sync, set for negative slope trigger, will be required for proper test equipment timing.





## 2. Controller Board

No written information on the controller board was available. Reference [6] suggests a design and it appears the board was modeled after this. The board is centered around a TMS 9916 Magnetic Bubble Memory Controller. Figure 9 illustrates the board itself, while Figure 11 is the block diagram. All three busses, data, address and control, are used as inputs. The control bus is made up of five signals: reset, clock (BCLK/), power fail (PFWP/), data bus in (DBIN), memory enable (MEMEN) and Interrupt. Hardware reset is a low level signal that is tapped directly from the SBC reset signal. It performs a full reset of the controller board via hardware. SBC BCLK/ was selected as the external clock input to the controller, since all data output to the master bus of the SBC is referenced to this clock. This TTL signal is input to U23 and U19 to properly sync the ready and read/write operations between the CPU and controller.

Power fail (PFWP/) is a low level input signal from the system 80/20. Reference [3] describes its operation. It is currently tied to +5V on the card cage backplane. To utilize it, PFWP/ would be brought from the system 80/20 to the power bad input of the controller board, P1/19, as a low logic signal. This circuit is designed in the controller to allow an immediate orderly shutdown of the bubble memory in the event of power failure, because major loop data loss is possible if data is left in it at shutdown. Additionally, to keep track of zero page reference, the bubble must shut down with the minor loops positioned at a known point with respect to the transfer gates.





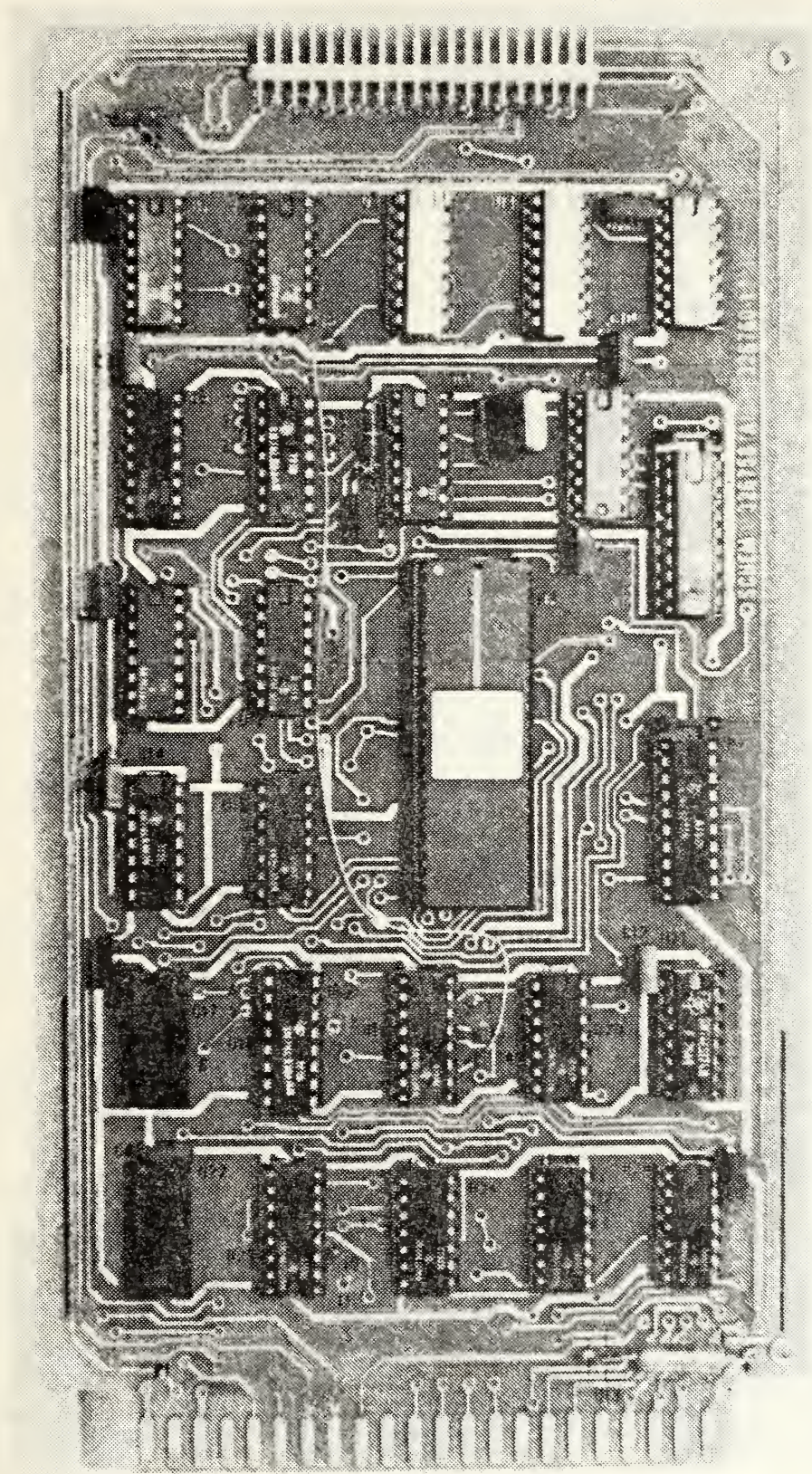


FIGURE 10  
MBM CONTROLLER BOARD





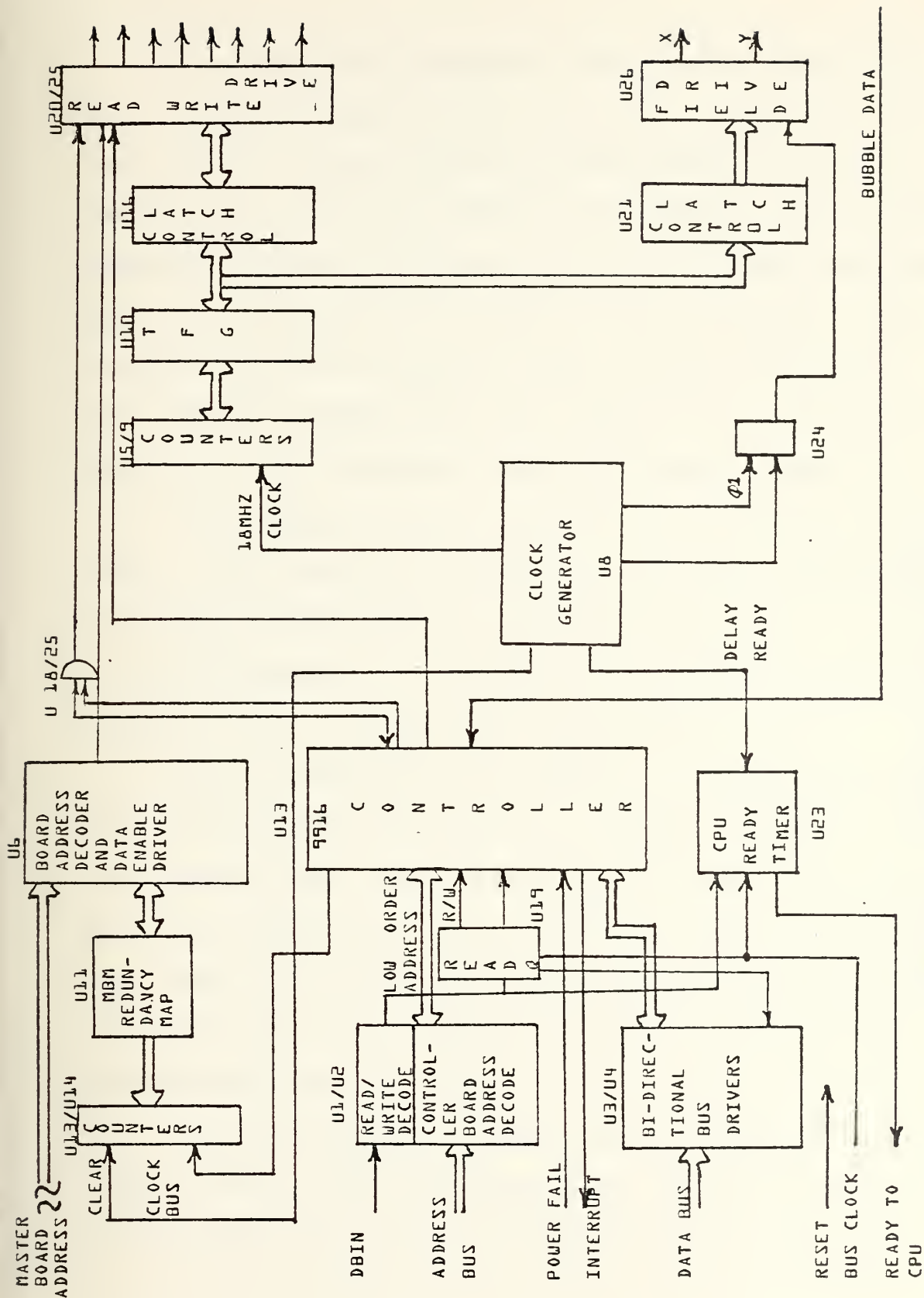


FIGURE 11 MBM CONTROLLER BLOCK DIAGRAM



The system 80/20 guarantees 5.3 ms of warning prior to the loss of +5V. The MBM chip requires 6.41 ms for a worst case return of all minor loops to zero. A storage capacitor may be required to meet this 1.31 ms time difference. Data Bus In (DBIN) is the controller device Read/Write command and is derived from Memory Read (MRDC/) or Memory Write Command (MWRC/) on the master bus. The controller uses this command along with the other two busses to interpret commands from the microcomputer. Memory Enable (MEMEN/) is simple a low logic enabling signal acting much like a chip select. It is discussed in the board addressing scheme.

The primary job of the controller board is Read/Write loop control. Major functions of the board, and the associated components, are: Timing (U8, U19, U23, U24), Data Bus Interface (U3, U4), Addressing (U1, U2, U19), Redundancy (U6, U4, U14), Timing Function Generation (U5, U9, U10, U16, U21) and Bubble Board Interface (U20, 25, 26).

U8 is a conventional clock generator. It provides clock reference within the control and bubble boards. As mentioned earlier, CPU interface timing is accomplished with BCLK/ and associated ready timing of U23B. Board sync is generated by clocking the inputs to U23A. U19 provides timing gates to the Timing Function Generator (TFG) circuitry as well as clocking the input data. U24 supplies enable timing to the bubble module for coil start/stop timing.

Data bus interface is accomplished with two Bidirectional Bus Drivers, U3 and U4. With an enabling input of Ready from U13, the read or write signals from U19B or U1 determine direction of data flow.





The controller board is addressed as a memory mapped device utilizing 15 address lines. SBC address 14 and 15 were "ANDed" together on the interface board to reduce the number of SBC address lines to 15 to conform to the controller address bus, mapping the controller into high memory. The memory mapped address is determined by the controller (A0-A3), U1 (A4-6) and U2 (A7-A14 & 15). U1 and U2 are fusible link ROMs (256x4). U2 contains a hex "0" at its address 0FFh. U1 contains a hex "E" at its address "47h" and "8" at address 4F. In addition to the address bus, U1 utilizes a high level logic memory enable (MEMEN) signal created from "OR"ing SBC memory read (MRDC/) with SBC memory write (MWRC/) on the interface board. Finally, the actual address selection (within U1) is determined by the Data Bus In (DBIN) signal. For DBIN true (high), U1 address 4Fh is accessed, which generates a chip select and read signal to the controller board. For DBIN false, address 47h is accessed, which generates a write and chip select signal to the controller board. The result up to this point is that for an address of 0FFFxh (where X is a don't care) the controller can differentiate between a read and a write memory operation.

The lower four address bits are fed directly to the controller. All controller commands are mapped onto these address locations (0FFF0h to FFFEh) with 0FFh not utilized. TMS 9916/5502 controller specifications [Reference (5)] details the commands. All commands with the exception of 0FFF2h utilize the data bus to pass required data associated with the command. The 0FFF2h command (Control Command) is an expansion command that allows the data bus to be utilized to pass eight additional commands.



These commands have no data associated with them, so no conflict occurs. For example, 0FFF2h on the address bus, with 02h on the data bus causes the controller to execute its microprogram to read a page of bubble data into the controller buffer, reposition required loops, etc. It should be noted that control commands are transparent to the programmer, in that once the controller is programmed, the CPU may go on and leave the controller to complete its task. Monitoring may either be done via status polling or interrupt programming. This will be discussed further in Section III.

Timing interface for read/write control timing is accomplished via the CPU ready circuit. If the controller required additional time in accessing its buffers to the bus, it may pull the ready line low, causing the CPU to enter a wait state until the controller is once again ready.

Redundancy circuit discussion follows. Starting after a reset generated by the read Counter Clear (RDCTRCL) signal from the controller (U13), U14 counts the gated 50KHZ clock. Its output is fed to the 256X4 bit Schottky fusible link ROM, U11. This ROM contains the redundancy map for up to four installed MBM chips and is the same type as the previously discussed U1 and U2. The current application has only one MBM, so U11 contains only one of a possible four maps. Table I is the redundancy map for the MBM employed in this report. The counted clock input causes the redundancy map to be output to U6, which generates a Data Enable (DATAEN) signal for each valid minor loop, and fails to post the DATAEN signal for bad loops, corresponding to the ROM map. This signal



TABLE I  
REDUNDANCY MAP

FINAL MASK

MODULE 89-92-10 23 June 77 13:43:35 TEMP 0 CENTIGRADE

0000 0002 01C0 0010 0000 0000 0000 00000000 0007

BAD LOOP ADDRESSES (HEXIDECIMAL)

001E, 0027, 0028, 0029, 0038





is gated with the controller Data Out signal to form the Good Data (GDATA) signal at U25D. The signal is then transferred to the MBM via buffer U25 to gate out bad loop information.

U6 receives three enable lines, Board Select (BDSEL) A, B, and C. These are used to indicate which of up to eight bubble board redundancy maps are to be accessed. Currently the select lines are tied to ground to supply a logic zero to the board address logic. In a larger application with more than four bubble boards, an additional redundancy map ROM would be added, generating inputs to U6 (D4-7), and would contain the maps for boards 4-7. Additionally, active board address would have to be supplied to the board select lines.

Precision timing waveforms for all bubble board functions are generated in the Timing Function Generator group. U10, the Timing Function Generator (TFG), is another fusible link ROM. The contents of this ROM are indicated in Table II. Counters U5 and U9, driven by the clock generator 18 MHZ output, and under control of U12, access the TFG. It in turn generates output signals on its data lines to sequence a set of timing pulses to two eight input, "D" flip flop latches, U16 and U21. U21 utilizes only six of its eight "D" flip flops. This latched sequence is clocked by the counted down 18 MHZ clock (4.5 MHZ) to generate output signals to drivers U20, U25 and U26. These three chips are quad, two-input NOR gates and make up the function drivers. All MBM Board commands serve as inputs to these drivers to be timed under micro sequence control of the TFG.



The interrupt output from the controller allows for a powerful interface to the microcomputer. When enabled via its mask register, interrupt is generated from U1/34 through driver U13A to B2/39. Software is written for this to go in as interrupt five to the SBC; however, it is not currently implemented.



TABLE II

## EVALUATION CARD FUNCTION TIMING FROM CONTENTS ('S471)

EVEN LOCATIONS (functions) ODD LOCATIONS (drive pulses)

ADDRESS BASE	0	2	4	6	8	A	C	E	1	3	5	7	9	B	D	F
020	X	X	X	00	00	10	10	00	X	X	X	06	06	04	04	04
030	01	01	01	01	01	01	01	01	04	04	04	04	04	04	04	08
040	00	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08	08
050	0A	0A	0E	0E	0E	0E	2E	2E	08	09	09	01	01	01	01	01
060	2E	6A	2A	28	28	28	20	00	01	01	01	01	01	03	02	02
070	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	02	02	02	02	02	02	02	02

OUTPUT

FUNCTION

1 XOUT  
 2 XIN  
 3 REP  
 4 ANH  
 5 GEN  
 6 CLP  
 7 STB  
 8 -

A DRIVE (X+)  
 B DRIVE (Y+)  
 C DRIVE (X-)  
 D DRIVE (Y-)

X = DON'T CARE





### III. CAPABILITY EXPANSION

#### A. INTERRUPT VERSUS STATUS CHECK

The system designed in this thesis can be operated in one of two ways. One is for the Central Processing Unit (CPU) to obtain input data when available, examine it, store as required, waiting for the mass memory system to complete its operation (a significant amount of time), and then wait for the next input cycle (an even more significant delay). Due to the speed of the microprocessor, the relatively infrequent occurrence of input data, and the additional delay involved with a relatively slow mass memory, the CPU would spend most of its time "polling" the input or output, waiting for either an input operation, or for the memory to complete its operation. This is trivial, if the CPU has no other task; however, if it could be gainfully employed elsewhere, it represents a great waste of computing power.

An alternative way of accomplishing the same task would be for the computer to be working continuously. When the input data bus brought information to the system, it would interrupt it. The microcomputer could then accept data from the 1553 bus buffer, operate on it, and store as required. Utilizing an MBM controller that can be told to take the data, store it and generate an interrupt when complete, the MBM module could be left to its work, and the microcomputer returned to the task interrupted.

For a Metal Nitride Oxide Semiconductor (NNOS) nonvolatile mass memory, or other type of slow mass memory without a separate intelligent controller, the same capability may be realized through software, utilizing



the programmable interrupt timer of the SBC. By setting this timer to the required memory delay, an interrupt would be generated at memory completion.

Utilizing this method based on interrupts, the recorder system could realize a ten-fold increase in computing power. This power could be well utilized in the present and future monitoring applications.

## B. SAFETY PROGRAMMING

A data recorder, by definition, has considerable information available to it. In the case of an aircraft crash data recorder, a wealth of aircraft status data is sent each second to the recorder. For a microcomputer based system linked to a MIL STD 1553 data bus, with other aircraft systems also on the bus, the state information available is sufficient for many safety calculations.

Reference [2] discusses the use of discrete parameters to represent a wealth of aircraft status data in a very compact form. The variable DP&1 and DP&2 of the RECORD program represent 16 BIT words composed of discrete data. A suggested implementation is shown in Table IV, where DP&1 represents pilot input, and DP&2 represents aircraft state. Utilizing this type of data, the recorder has available to it information on flight perturbation, pilot response, control response resulting, and finally the aircraft response resulting from this chain.

With aircraft air speed, fuel load, position, etc., available, calculations of fuel exhaustion time and position, optimum climb, cruise, and loiter configuration, or constant energy display mapping could be supported. Real time calculation of take-off time and distance could be automatically calculated, with no pilot generated input data other than





field length. Real time warnings could be output, if the field length is insufficient for take-off, as a function of real time sensing of configuration and ambient conditions.

These are examples of applications for all aviation. A potentially more important task is related to the Navy carrier mission. By continuously having available to it such a wide variety of parameters, and due to its near instantaneous analysis capability, the microcomputer could be programmed to recognize certain definable "extremis" situations at the very earliest stages of their onset. Through this recognition algorithm an "eject alert" could be generated, allowing for immediate pilot correction and/or additional time to analyse the critical eject decision. In the familiar dark night launch, which is a time-critical situation, this could very easily make the difference between successful recovery/ejection or aircraft and pilot loss.

The RECORD program of Appendix B is interrupt driven at its outer level. The loop that comprises the main body of this program simulates a calculation of the type described. This loop calls the Eject Alert procedure if the parameters evaluated indicate that a critical situation has developed. In the example there is little doubt that an "extremis" situation exists. An extreme example was chosen to demonstrate that a computer can recognize specific situations if:

1. it has sufficient status data;
2. it is programmed to recognize these input values as a set that correspond to a critical situation.

The programmed example assumes arbitrarily that discrete data words DP\$1 and DP\$2 are implemented as shown in Table IV. Based on this, a



value of 1E83h would indicate a very dire situation. The aircraft would have fully split flaps, fully split slats, wide open speed brakes and hung gear. Simultaneous checks of altitude through the program indicate that the aircraft is below 100 feet and falling. This is an example of an easily defined "extremis" situation.

The program calls the Eject Alert procedure to provide warning. The significance is that the microcomputer can analyse the parameter each second, detect a situation such as this, and furnish a warning long before reaching this point. Placing the routines in the main body of the program insures that the parameters examined are at most one second old, since the 1553 bus would give new data each second.



#### IV. RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The complete system was assembled after considerable delay in obtaining the various component parts. Some difficulty was experienced with the CPU coming loose from its socket on one side due to board flexure. Consideration might be given to soldering the CPU into the socket prior to flight testing.

Test software was designed initially to repetitively read or write to the controller, until the controller buffer was full, then to transfer the page to the bubble module. This program was repetitively looped while signal checks were conducted. It was determined that the test oscilloscope utilized was not sufficiently fast to synchronize and display the waveforms of interest.

Test software was altered to verify operation of the 9916 First In-First Out (FIFO) buffer, by executive a write of 17 bytes after system initiation, followed by a read of the FIFO. This was also unsuccessful.

Consultation with Texas Instruments personnel indicated several changes to be incorporated, as indicated in Appendix C. Additionally, the 9916 controller performance may possibly be temperature dependent to a greater degree than listed in its specifications. Cooling air was supplied for future tests, but testing was not resumed in time to see if this solved the temperature problem.

Due to changes required, testing was not completed and remains as the final task. Subsequent work should include correction of deficiencies listed in Appendix C, and check out of the address ROMs. The Controller





operation should be verified independent of the MBM board. It is recommended that a status polled program be utilized, as recent discussions with TI personnel indicate that the interrupt routine from the controller may operate in variance with the specifications (Reference [5]).

Research should continue with the MBM. It is the best medium for the mission, and future technology growth will only accentuate this. Consideration should be given to simultaneous development of an MNOS based system utilizing the same computer, as discussed in the thesis. The technology risk here is low; however, the storage density is also considerably lower.

Finally, the interface design to a data bus which serves to deliver the status information needs to be completed.



## APPENDIX A

### BUBBLE TECHNOLOGY

#### A. INTRODUCTION

In many materials there exist "domains" of magnetization. These domains are usually randomly aligned, such that the net magnetization (magnetic energy) of the material is near zero. In certain materials, a large number of these domains align along some axis with their magnetic poles in the same direction. This is a naturally magnetic material. In an artificially induced magnetic material the same result occurs; however, the alignment is forced by an outside electromagnetic (H) field.

If a naturally magnetic material is placed in an H field aligned with its principal magnetic axis, all domains will tend to align with this field. Those domains that were aligned opposite to the field will be reduced in size as a function of their magnetic dipole moment, their initial polar direction, and the strength of the external magnetic field (bias). By careful selection of the magnetic substrate utilized, and application of the proper bias, those domains in opposition to the bias field can be caused to reduce in size until they are arbitrarily small "bubbles" of polarized material within a "sea" of oppositely polarized material (Reference [6]). Variation of bias field and material properties of the substrate will determine bubble size. If the bias field is allowed to become too strong, they will be annihilated, i.e., caused to collapse into the "sea." If too weak, the bubbles will be too large, with resulting propagation and storage problems.





As a first step toward usability, the bubble must be caused to move under control. For this purpose a combination of "tracks" is laid down in the substrate, usually from permalloy material. An external electromagnetic field is applied (two periodic signals,  $90^\circ$  out of phase), such that it induces a magnetic field within the plane of the substrate. The moving force is caused by variations in flux density, due to the permeability of the permalloy pattern, that causes the tracks to develop magnetic poles, resulting in the bubbles being moved along the track in the direction determined by the external rotating field. The bubble moves in the direction of reduced bias, at a speed proportional to the difference between the non-uniform bias across the bubble diameter and the coercivity (Reference [6]). The bubble movement is accomplished by realignment of the magnetic vectors at successive locations within the substrate.

The shape of the permalloy track elements have a distinct effect on propagation speed and reliability. Patterns used in the past have included a chevron, a "T" bar, and a crescent. The bubble chip used in this thesis employs the "T" bar pattern. Current research in higher density chips is employing an asymmetrical chevron to achieve higher packing densities and greater field rotation rates.

Three other basic functions are required to make up a useful bubble storage device. Information must be written into the device (bubble generation). The information must be read from the device (bubble detection) and bubbles must be deleted from the device (annihilation). Generation can be accomplished via a fine current loop which, at a specific



point in the bubble track, can be pulsed in opposition to the static bias field to produce a bubble. Similarly, annihilation can be accomplished by bringing the bubble under the same loop and reversing the direction of current flow. For data handling, the generate and annihilate functions are usually separate. Bubble detection can be accomplished in several ways. One is to cause the bubble to be stretched out, and then run under a permalloy magnetoresistive detector. The change in the resistance of the detector due to the field change induced at bubble passage can be detected and amplified as the module output. Interaction of the rotating field and the detector is handled by putting the sense element in one leg of a balanced bridge network, with the other legs in the rotating field but not exposed to bubble passage.

Physical arrangement of the permalloy tracks determine the usefulness of the memory. All bubble positions and functions could be arranged around a loop; however, as total storage increased, access time would go up linearly, just as in serial magnetic tape systems. A more practical approach for systems that require random access is to model the system after a fixed head disc, in which information is fed to several heads simultaneously, transferred to the disc tracks, and then the disc rotated to the next data position. This is the model for the major/minor loop MBM chip layout.

This design requires the additional bubble function of "transfer," which moves a bubble from/to the major and minor loops. This propagation directionality is obtained by application of very carefully timed signals to the transfer gates themselves to cause the propagation vector to move



toward the minor loops, via specially shaped permalloy track elements, at the instant the bubble is positioned at the gates. In all bubble functions, element size, placement, and spacing are critical.

## B. CONSTRUCTION

Solid state construction techniques very similar to that used in the fabrication of other microelectronic components are utilized in the construction of the bubble memory. This contributes greatly to the reliability and low cost of these units. The current MBM utilized is a production version of approximately 100K bits. Texas Instruments expects to market a 256K bit chip in the same package by mid-1978. Four of these larger capacity chips will be mounted, with drive circuitry, on the same board utilized in the current application, to yield a one megabit storage system.

One area of concern in bubble chip reliability is bias field variation susceptibility (Reference [11]). Element differences within the device, as well as variations of the field strength of the bias magnets, may cause the bias margin to be unacceptably small. In this case relatively small increases in flux density may cause bubble annihilation, with resulting data loss. On the other hand, a weaker field may cause overly large bubbles, with attendant strip out problems. Bias field margin is computer tested. A final test is a go/no-go check for the completed module. As the bubble chip capacity is increased by reducing the bubble size and spacing, this will be an area to watch. Research into permalloy track element shape is producing patterns that require less precise manufacturing technique while yielding a wider bias margin (Reference [12]).





Another area of possible problems arises with the major/minor loop architecture. To obtain an acceptable yield with a chip employing extremely close manufacturing tolerances for the function elements, a failure margin must be allowed. Keenan and Naden (Reference [14]) report that for the TBM 0101 chip, up to 13 of the 157 minor loops are allowed to be defective to obtain desired yields. The actual map of the assembled chip is obtained in final assembly testing, with bad minor loops noted. It then becomes the job of the bubble controller unit to selectively skip these loops on read/write transfer operations. An additional caution must be observed with regard to this redundancy mask in that if not correct, and if bubbles are transferred into the bad minor loops, recurring problems with erroneous data may result thereafter. D. M. Lee (Reference [6]) outlines the method of employing the mask information to gate out bad loops. He further outlines the entire controller circuitry required for MBM control.

### C. APPLICATIONS

NASA and DOD are both currently funding research into magnetic bubble storage devices. Rockwell is building a  $10^8$  bit space qualified recording system for NASA (Reference [13]) employing single loop architecture. It is hoped to replace three mechanically oriented systems with the one bubble system in future applications to decrease weight, improve reliability and reduce power consumption.

Texas Instruments, under contract to the Air Force Avionics Laboratory (AFAL), is developing second generation MBM modules in 256K-1M bits/chip



range, utilizing the major/minor loop architecture. Specific applications of the AFAL work are not yet indicated.

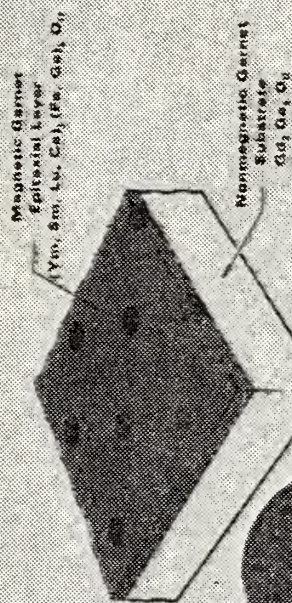
Bubble drive circuitry is passive, except during actual memory access. Function circuitry is similarly inactive, except when actually performing the intended function. There are no quiescent bias currents needed in a stand-by mode. For this reason, MBM will be applied to many applications where power consumption is a consideration. By actively switching all bubble functions, minimal power drain may be realized.

Magnetic bubble memories will find application wherever the low cost/bit and non-volatile nature are important, and where the relatively longer access time required can be tolerated.

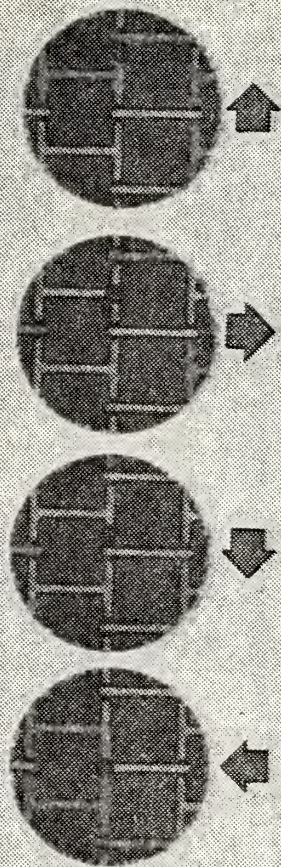




# MAGNETIC BUBBLE MEMORIES



Bubbles are small cylindrical magnetic domains in thin epitaxial magnetic garnet films. Those shown in photograph have a 8  $\mu$ m diameter.



Bubbles are moved by a Permalloy pattern in a rotating magnetic field.

FIGURE 12

MAGNETIC BUBBLES AND TRACKS







Bubble Device

Shield

Coils

Chip

Magnets

FIGURE 13

TBM 0101





TABLE III  
TMS 9916/TBM 0101 PARAMETERS

TOTAL STORAGE	100,637 BITS
USABLE STORAGE	92,160 BITS
NUMBER OF MAJOR LOOPS	1
NUMBER OF MINOR LOOPS	157
GUARANTEED NUMBER OF USABLE MINOR LOOPS	144
MAJOR LOOP LENGTH	640
MINOR LOOP LENGTH	641
PAGE SIZE	18 BYTES
NUMBER OF PAGES	641
SINGLE PAGE MODE MAXIMUM PAGE WRITE TIME	12.82 MS
MULTI-PAGE MODE AVERAGE WRITE TIME	3.22 MS
FIRST BYTE AVERAGE ACCESS TIME	6.41 MS
MINIMUM SHUT DOWN TIME	6.41 MS





## APPENDIX B

### COMPUTER PROGRAMS

#### A. GENERAL

Development support for both hardware and software is available in the Intel MDS 800 Microcomputer Develop-System. Figure 14 illustrates the entire development system. Utilizing the In Circuit Emulator (ICE), SBC hardware can be simulated to a great degree. The ICE is currently incapable of simulating interrupt driven routines for the SBC, as the interrupt controller cannot be simulated. A modification to allow simulation of SBC interrupt structure is available and Intel has been contacted to obtain it.

Due to the memory mapping of the ICOM PROM programmer board, PROM programming within the ISIS operating system is not straight forward. The ICOM PROM programmer is mapped into the top 16K of memory and as such is not compatible with a system configured for more than 48K of memory. Dip switches on the board would allow the board to be re-addressed, but it would then be incompatible with its own monitor.

For 62K CPM, the debugged program is loaded into a user RAM area below 48K and run. Upon exit to the monitor the top 16K RAM board is removed with the system on, and the ICOM programmer board inserted. The system is then rebooted on the monitor and program control transferred to the programmer (Reference [4]). For PLM-80, and other languages run under the 64K Intel System Implementation Supervisor (ISIS), another problem arises. Due to SBC EPROM memory mapping, the SBC is mapped in ISIS resident area, and as such must have its operating load map transformed utilizing the ICE80.





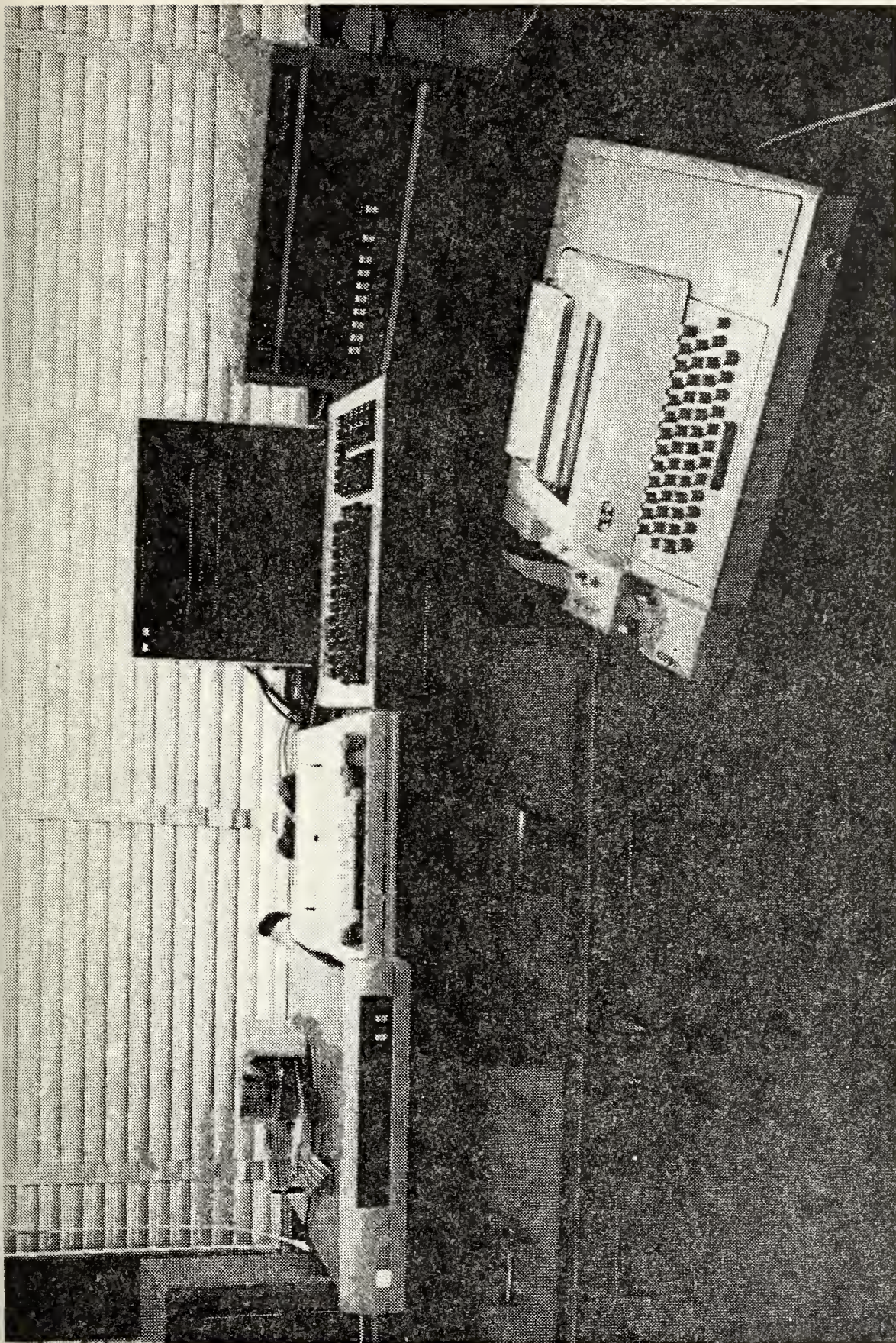


FIGURE 14  
DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM





With the debugged program compiled, linked and located on disc, the ICE 80 is utilized to transform the program load map into user accessible RAM under the MDS/ICE 80 64K memory map. Care is taken not to transform into the top 16K of memory, as this will be removed to utilize the programmer. With the transformed program loaded under ICE 80, the disc door is opened and the system booted on the monitor. The remaining procedures are the same as for CP/M.

The decision on whether to use I/O ports or to memory map the controller was a difficult one. At the time the available MDS was not configured with a general purpose I/O board, so the decision was made to memory map the controller. Subsequently, the MDS 504 General Purpose I/O Module has been obtained and is installed on the MDS. For the testing phase, consideration might be given to utilizing the controller, port mapped, due to the greater ease of signal checking. The required signal complementation of address and control busses could then be accomplished in software also.

Programs to accomplish the recording function as well as to test bubble module operation were developed. The essential elements of the PROCESS PLM program of Reference [2] were rewritten in PLM-80 as the RECORD program. The RECORD program incorporates interrupt initiation, MBM interface, and examples of real time analysis of input parameters to dynamically vary the compression.

The MEMORY RECORDING PROCEDURE of Reference [2] was rewritten on the MDS and designed to record into MNOS. If this program were adapted for the SBC port numbers, and expanded to handle a larger number of





MNOS chips, it could provide a demonstration data recorder while the bubble technology matures. The programs were not included, but are available if this route is chosen.

PLM-80 bubble driver routines were originally developed on the MDS; however, they could not be located at SBC EPROM addresses without ICE 80. The status-pollled MBM drivers were written in assembly language, utilizing the Digital Research CP/M operating system. This allowed programming of EPROMS for testing. This requirement was removed when the ICE 80 was obtained, but time did not allow for program rewrite. This program translates directly into PLM-80, and if used in further work should be rewritten to aid documentation.

Development of the interrupt driven MBM Driver was accomplished in assembly language as well, to facilitate register and stack operations associated with interrupts. Translation of this program into PLM-80 is not as direct. Utilizing the PLM Stack pointer (STACKPTR) functions, a based variable would be utilized to store the return point stack pointers of each routine, and appropriate stack operations would allow movement back and forth between the "Outer Level" and the page write and end check routines as required.

## B. RECORD PROGRAM

The RECORD program is the executive program. It performs three functions: real time analysis, parameter analysis and compression, and call control for the BUBBLE program.

### 1. Real Time Analysis

With the recording function written as an interrupt activated procedure, the software is free to perform real time analysis of



desired parameters as discussed in Section III. The sample calculation consisting of the IF statement in the "Outer Level" infinite loop is an example of this.

## 2. Parameter Analysis and Compression

The INPUT 1 procedure is interrupt driven. It in turn calls all other procedures with the exception of Eject Alert. Two examples of how to dynamically vary the data compression rate are included in the VERTG procedure and the ALTF analysis. In each case, the compression parameter, i.e., the allowable difference between old and new values, is adjusted dynamically as a function of data from one second ago.

## 3 MBM Call

After data has been analysed for changes and labeled, it is stored in an output buffer (one byte) and control is passed to the MBM driver.

## C. BUBBLE DRIVER PROGRAM

This assembly language program is the MBM driver. It follows the flow chart of Figures 15 and 16. Figure 15 shows the sequence (Reference [5]) to initialize the controller at power up. Figure 16 is the single page read/write flow chart (Reference [5]). It does not use interrupts to control operations as it was developed from a version used for testing.

The various console calls at the input to the procedures are for the purpose of program debugging and testing and would be eliminated in the final version.





#### D. INTERRUPT CONTROLLED BUBBLE TEST PROGRAM

This program was developed from an original status polled test program to make the recording process more efficient. Translated to PLM-80 and linked to the RECORD program, it would allow the system to be used as a monitor/recorder.

The basic flow chart is the same as that of Figure 16, with the exception that the process does not wait for the controller to finish. Once the controller is told to write a page, the program returns directly to the "Outer Level" while the controller completes its task. When the controller is done, the generated interrupt five causes the program to leave the "Outer Level" and return to the End Check (ENDCK) routine via the Return Point (RTNPT). At completion, execution once again returns to the outer level.

The program was located in EPROM, but transferred into SBC RAM thus allowing program alterations during operation. To facilitate this, multiple no-op (NOP) instructions were inserted in each procedure, which permitted patching modifications. The trace routines are similar in both MBM programs. The program is relocated on the SBC to its 3000h start address using the SBC monitor move (M) command prior to execution.

A read routine was incorporated into this program as well. It was derived from the original version of the test program, and as such is not interrupt controlled. This program is the main test program. In the testing mode, keyboard control of read/write operation is available and selection of the number of pages read/written is accomplished via program modification.

Tables V and VI are the memory maps of the SBC and MDS utilized.



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## RECORD PROGRAM

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/* INPUT DATA IS PLACED IN AN INPUT BUFFER(UP TO 24 BYTES(12H))
STARTING AT 3EDCH, UTILIZING THE MONITOR AND SILENT 700.
THIS SIMULATES THE MIL STD 1553A INTERFACE BUFFER. NO
ASCII DECODE ROUTINE IS UTILIZED AS THE MONITOR HANDLES
THAT. ONCE THE DATA IS IN RAM THE PROGRAM IS EXECUTED.
EACH TIME AN INTERRUPT 6 IS GENERATED IT SIMULATES THE
1553 INTERFACE INTERRUPTING WITH A FULL BUFFER OF NEW INPUT
INFORMATION. THIS IS PROCESSED AND CONTROL RETURNED TO THE
OUTER LEVEL BETWEEN INTERRUPTS. */

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RECORDER:

DO;

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DECLARE DCL LITERALLY 'DECLARE', LIT LITERALLY 'LITERALLY';

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DCL TRUE LIT '0FFH', FALSE LIT '0', FOREVER LIT 'WHILE TRUE';

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DCL (LIMIT2,LIMIT4,LIMIT6,LIMIT7) BYTE;

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DCL (J,MINFLAG,SECFLAG) BYTE;

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DCL (K1,OLDMIN,NEWMIN,NEWSEC) ADDRESS;

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DCL (ALTO,ALTF,KOAS,HEAD,DPS1,DPS2,VG) ADDRESS;

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DCL INPUTBASE ADDRESS AT (3EDCH); /* INPUT BUFFER AT 3000H */

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DCL (INPUTBUFF BASED INPUTBASE) (24) ADDRESS;

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DCL STALL BYTE DATA(150);

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DCL BUBBLE ADDRESS AT (1000H);

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DCL DATA BYTE AT (3F00H);

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DCL FLAG1 BYTE AT (3F01H);

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DCL EOIC LIT '20H'; /* END OF INTERRUPT COMMAND */

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DCL INT5VECTOR ADDRESS AT (3FF5H);

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DCL INT6VECTOR ADDRESS AT (3FF9H);

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DCL IOCP LIT '0DAH'; /* INTERRUPT COMMAND PORT ADDRESS */

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DCL LOW1 LIT '4000', LOW2 LIT '100';

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DCL SLOW LIT '120', DEEPSOURCE LIT '1E80H', FASTSINK LIT '10';

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## PROGRAM PROCEDURES

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CONVERT:

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  PROCEDURE (VALUE) ADDRESS; /* REVERSES BYTE ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE
THE 8080 */

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  DCL VALUE ADDRESS;

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  RETURN SHL(VALUE,8) + HIGH(VALUE);

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END CONVERT;

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NEXTPARAM:

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  PROCEDURE ADDRESS; /* FETCHES THE NEXT PARAMETER FROM THE BUFFER */

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DCL ITEM ADDRESS;
  ITEM=INPUTBUFF(J);
  J=J+1;
  RETURN CONVERT(ITEM);
END NEXTPARAM;

```

RECORD:

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PROCEDURE (ITEM, NAME);
  DCL ITEM ADDRESS;
  DCL NAME BYTE;

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  IF MINFLAG THEN

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    DO;
      DATTA=HIGH(CONVERT(NEWMIN)); /* LABEL INVISIBLE(0),
                                     WRITE TO FIFO */
      CALL BUBBLE;

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      DATTA=LOW(CONVERT(NEWMIN));
      CALL BUBBLE;
      MINFLAG=FALSE;
    END;

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  IF SECFLAG THEN

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    DO;
      DATTA=HIGH(CONVERT(NEWSEC+1000H)); /* ADD LABEL(1) */
      CALL BUBBLE;

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      DATTA=LOW(CONVERT(NEWSEC));
      CALL BUBBLE;

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      SECFLAG=FALSE;
    END;

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      DATTA=HIGH(CONVERT(ITEM+SHL(DOUBLE(NAME),12))); /* ADD LABEL
IN HIGH ORDER 1/2 BYTE */
      CALL BUBBLE;

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      DATTA=LOW(CONVERT(ITEM+SHL(DOUBLE(NAME),12)));

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      CALL BUBBLE;

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  RETURN;

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END RECORD;

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ALGO:

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PROCEDURE (OLD, THRESH, NAME) ADDRESS;

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  DCL (OLD, NEW, DIFF) ADDRESS;

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  DCL (THRESH, NAME) BYTE;

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  NEW=NEXTPARAM;

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  IF NEW > OLD THEN DIFF=NEW-OLD;

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        ELSE DIFF=OLD-NEW;

IF DIFF > DOUBLE(THRESH) THEN
        DO;
        CALL RECORD(NEW,NAME);
        RETURN NEW;
        END;

        ELSE RETURN OLD;

END ALGO;

VERTG:
  PROCEDURE (NAME);
    DCL NAME BYTE;

    IF((VG>3) OR (DPS2 AND 0006H))
      THEN LIMIT2=0; /* SINK RATE CHECK. COMPRESSION PARAMETER
        ADJUSTED IF A CARRIER OR FCLP LANDING */

      ELSE LIMIT2=1; /* DEFAULT VALUE */

    VG=ALGO(VG,LIMIT2,NAME);
    RETURN;
  END VERTG;

EJECTSALERT:
  PROCEDURE;
    /* THIS DUMMY PROCEDURE WOULD FURNISH EJECT WARNING IN THE FORM
      OF A LIGHT, AURAL TONE, OR OTHER DESIRED FORM. AN ALTER-
      NATIVE WOULD BE ACTUAL AUTOMATIC EJECTION. */

    RETURN;
  END EJECTSALERT;

INPUT1:
  PROCEDURE INTERRUPT 6;

    ENABLE; /* ENABLE INTERRUPTS WITHIN PROCEDURE */

    /* SCALE OF ALL INPUTS IS 1:1, IE '0FFF' FOR VELOCITY(KCAS)
      =255KTS. ALTC GOES IN 4000 FT STEPS. */

    J=0; /* RESET COUNTERS */
    NEWMIN=NEXTPARAM;

    IF OLDMIN <> NEWMIN THEN
      DO;

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OLDMIN=NEWMIN;
    MINFLAG=TRUE;
END;

NEWSEC=NEXTPARAM;
SECFLAG=TRUE;

CALL VERTG(2);
ALTC=ALGO(ALTC,0,3);

/* ADJUSTMENT OF FINE ALTITUDE COMPRESSION PARAMETER ACCORDING TO
   LAST ALTITUDE, AIRSPEED, GEAR POSITION. */

IF(((ALTF < 1000) OR (KCAS < (STALL + 5)))
   OR ((DPS1 AND 0070H) < 0070H))
    THEN LIMIT4=10;
    ELSE LIMIT4=100;

    ALTF=ALGO(ALTF,LIMIT4,4);
    CALL VERTG(5);
    KCAS=ALGO(KCAS,LIMIT6,6);
    HEAD=ALGO(HEAD,LIMIT7,7);
    CALL VERTG(8);
    DPS1=ALGO(DPS1,0,9);
    DPS2=ALGO(DPS2,0,10);
    CALL VERTG(11);

DISABLE; /* DISABLE INTERRUPTS AROUND CALLS TO INTERRUPT
          CONTROLLER */
OUTPUT(ICCP) = E0IC; /* OUTPUT THE END OF INTERRUPT */
ENABLE; /* RE-ENABLE INTERRUPTS */

RETURN;
END INPUT1;

STACKPTR=3F80H; /*INITIALIZE PROGRAM STACK POINTER */
LIMIT2,LIMIT4,LIMIT6,LIMIT7=0; /* INITIALIZE LIMIT VALUES */
J,MINFLAG,SECFLAG=0; /* INITIALIZE FLAGS AND COUNTERS */
K1,OLDMIN=0;
ALTC,ALTF,KCAS,HEAD,DPS1,DPS2,VG=0; /* INITIALIZE VARIABLES */

FLAG1=FALSE; /* SET UP INITIALIZATION FLAG FOR BUBBLE CONTROLLER */

DO FOREVER;
    INT6VECTOR = (.INPUT1); /*SET UP RAM INTERRUPT VECTOR TO CAUSE
        INTERRUPT 6 TO VECTOR TO INPUT1 PROCEDURE.*/

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IF((ALTC < LOW1) AND (ALT2 < LOW2) AND (VG > FAST$SINK)
  AND (KCAS < SLOW) OR (DPS2 AND DEEPS$TROUBLE)))
  THEN CALL EJECT$ALERT;
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END; /* LOOP, WAITING FOR INTERRUPTS. THIS LOOP IS THE 'OUTER LEVEL'.
  ANY NUMBER OF SAFETY OF FLIGHT ROUTINES COULD BE ACTIVE IN
  THIS AREA, RUNNING UNTIL INTERRUPTED, AND THEN RESUMED.
  ONE EXAMPLE IS INCLUDED OF A MACRO CHECK FOR AN EXTREME
  FLIGHT CONDITION. SEE PROGRAM NOTES FOR EXPLANATION */
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END RECORDER;
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;          BUBBLE DRIVER PROGRAM-STATUS POLLED
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ORG 0000H                                ;START PROGRAM ON 4TH EPROM CHIP
;TRACE ROUTINE MAP: *=BUBBLE. 2=INITIALIZE.
;3=BUSY CHECK. 4=PAGEWRITE. 5=END CHECK.
;9=LO BYTE CHECK. A=ZERO PAGE.

;MAIN ROUTINE MUST INITIALIZE IFLAG TO ZERO
;UPON PROGRAM RESTART. ADDITIONALLY, INPUT
;BUBBLE DATA MUST BE PASSED VIA MEMORY INTO
;LOCATION WRBUFF. STACK POINTER INTENTIONALLY
;NOT INITIALIZED. TRACE ROUTINES FOR DEBUG.

VRBLS EQU 3F00H                          ;VARIABLE STORAGE AREA

LDPGRGLO EQU 0FFFF0H                     ;LOAD PAGE SELECT REGISTER, LO BYTE
LDPGRGHI EQU 0FFFF1H                     ;LOAD PAGE SELECT REGISTER, HI BYTE
CONTCOM EQU 0FFFF2H                       ;READ CONTROL COMMANDS FROM DATA BUSS
RDBYTE EQU 0FFFF3H                        ;READ DATA BYTE FROM CONTROLLER FIFO
WRBYTE EQU 0FFFF4H                        ;WRITE DATA BYTE TO CONTROLLER FIFO
RDSTATUS EQU 0FFFF5H                      ;READ STATUS REGISTER
PGCNTLO EQU 0FFFF6H                       ;READ/WRITE NUMBER OF PAGES FOR MULTI
;PAGE TRANSFERS, LO BYTE
PGCNTHI EQU 0FFFF7H                       ;SAME FOR HI BYTE
LDMINSZLO EQU 0FFFF8H                     ;LOAD LOW BYTE, MINOR LOOP SIZE(INIT-
;IALIZATION ONLY)
LDMINSZHI EQU 0FFFF9H                     ;SAME FOR HI BYTE
PGPOSLO EQU 0FFFAH                         ;PAGE POSITION COUNTER LOW BYTE. USED
;TO SHOW CURRENT PAGE AT TRANSFER
;GATE IN THE BUBBLE
PGPOSHI EQU 0FFFBH                         ;SAME FOR HI BYTE
LDPGSZRG EQU 0FFFCB                       ;LOAD PAGE SIZE REGISTER
;(INITIALIZATION ONLY)
RDRUMBYTE EQU 0FFFDH                       ;READ CURRENT REDUNDANCY MAP,
;INCREMENT POINTER
RWSTADDR EQU 0FFFEH                       ;READ REDUNDANCY MAP ADDRESS

INITIAL EQU 1                             ;INITIALIZE THE CONTROLLER
RDPG EQU 2                                ;READ PAGE, SINGLE PAGE MODE
WRPG EQU 4                                ;WRITE PAGE, SINGLE PAGE MODE
SGLPGMD EQU 8                             ;SET SINGLE PAGE MODE
MULPGMD EQU 10H                           ;SET MULTI-PAGE MODE
TESTMD EQU 20H                            ;SET TEST MODE
RESET EQU 40H                             ;SOFTWARE RESET
INTMSK EQU 80H                            ;SET CONTROLLER INTERRUPT MASK

CU EQU 00FH                               ;CONSOLE OUT CALL ADDRESS
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CI EQU 012H	;CONSOLE IN CALL ADDRESS
BUSY EQU 10H	;DEFINE BUSY CHECK BYTE
MINLPSIZ EQU 641D	;NUMBER OF POSITIONS ON MINOR LOOP
PAGESIZE EQU 18D	;PAGE SIZE IN BYTES
BUBBLE: CALL INIT	;INITIALIZE IF RGD
LHLD PAGENUM	;LOAD UP DESIRED PAGE NUMBER
XCHG	;
LXI H,LDPGRGLU	;LOAD UP COMMAND
MOV A,E	;
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;OUTPUT LO BYTE OF PAGE
INX H	;
MOV A,D	;
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;OUTPUT HI BYTE COMMAND
MVI C,'*'	;SET UP PATH TRACE
CALL CO	;OUTPUT TRACE
CALL BUSYCHK	;SEE IF CONTROLLER DONE
LXI H,WRBUFF	;
MOV A,M	;FETCH INPUT DATA FOR BUBBLE FIFO
LXI H,WRBYTE	;SET UP WRITE COMMAND
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;WRITE DATA BYTE TO FIFO
LXI H,BYTECNT	;SET UP BYTE COUNT INCREMENT
INR M	;INCREMENT BYTE COUNT(INDIRECT)
MVI A,PAGESIZE	;
CMP M	;
CZ PGWRT	;IF BYTES WRITTEN = PAGE
RET	;SIZE, WRITE PAGE
	;RETURN HAVING WRITTEN DATA TO FIFO
PGWRT: MVI C,'4'	;SET UP PATH TRACE
CALL CO	;
CALL BUSYCHK	;SEE IF CONTROLLER BUSY
LXI H,CONTCOM	;
MVI A,WRPG	;
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;OUTPUT PAGE WRITE COMMAND TO
CALL BUSYCHK	;CONTROLLER
ENDCK: MVI C,'5'	;CHECK FOR DONE
CALL CO	;
LHLD PAGENUM	;LOAD ADDRESS OF PAGE NUMBER

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INX H	; INCREMENT PAGE NUMBER INDIRECT
SHLD PAGENUM	; RESTORE INCREMENTED PAGE NUMBER
XCHG	; PUT INCREMENTED PAGE NUMBER IN D/E
LXI H, MINLPSIZ	; CHECK FOR END OF MEMORY
MOV A, H	; HI BYTE INTO ACCUM
CMP D	; CHECK IF HI BYTE OF PAGE NUMBER =
	; HI BYTE OF MINOR LOOP SIZE
CZ LOCHK	; IF HI BYTES EQUAL, CHECK LO BYTES
LXI H, BYTECNT	; LOAD BYTE COUNT LOCATION INTO THE
	; H/L REGISTER
MVI A, 0	;
MOV M, A	; RESET THE BYTE COUNT TO ZERO
LXI D, PAGENUM	; SET UP TO LOAD PAGE SELECT REGISTER
LDAX D	; LOAD ACCUM FROM ADDRESS IN D/E
LXI H, LDPGRGLU	; LOAD H/L WITH LOAD PAGE REGISTER LO
	; COMMAND ADDRESS
CMA	; INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M, A	; OUTPUT LO BYTE TO PAGE SELECT REG
INX H	; SET UP HI BYTE COMMAND
INX D	; INCREMENT FOR HI BYTE
LDAX D	; LOAD IN HI BYTE
CMA	; INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M, A	; OUTPUT HI BYTE TO PAGE SELECT REG
RET	;
LOCHK: MVI C, '9'	;
CALL CO	; OUTPUT TRACE
	;
MOV A, L	;
CMP E	; CHECK LO BYTES
CZ ZERUPG	; RESET PAGE TO ZERO
	; IF AT END OF BUBBLE (LOOP MEMORY)
RET	;
ZERUPG: MVI C, 'A'	; SET UP TRACE
CALL CO	;
	;
LXI H, PAGENUM	; LOAD H/L WITH ADDRESS OF PAGE NUMBER
MVI A, 00	; ZERO ACCUMULATOR
MOV M, A	; ZERO LO BYTE, PAGE NUMBER
INX H	; INCREMENT
MOV M, A	; ZERO HI BYTE
RET	;
INIT: MVI C, '2'	; SET UP TRACE
CALL CO	;
	;
LDA IFLAG	; CHECK IF INITIALIZED ALREADY

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CPI 1	;SEE IF SET
RZ	;IF SET, IE INITIALIZED, RETURN
CALL BUSYCHK	;
MVI A,PAGESIZE	;
LXI H,LDPGSZRG	;LOAD H/L WITH LOAD PAGE SIZE REG
	;COMMAND
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;LOAD PAGE SIZE INTO PAGE SIZE REG
LXI B,MINLPSIZ	;
MOV A,C	;LO BYTE, MINOR LOOP SIZE, INTO ACCUM
LXI H,LDMINSZLO	;LOAD H/L WITH LOAD MINOR LOOP SIZE
	;LOW COMMAND ADDRESS
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;PUT MINOR SIZE LO BYTE IN MINOR LOOP
	;LOOP SIZE REGISTER
MOV A,B	;SET UP HI BYTE
INX H	;
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;LOAD MINOR LOOP SIZE, HI BYTE
MVI A,RESET	;SET UP RESET COMMAND
LXI H,CONTCOM	;LOAD H/L WITH CONTROL COMMAND
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;ACTIVATE RESET
MVI A,INITIAL	;SET UP INITIALIZE CMMAND
CMA	;INVERT DATA FOR BUSS
MOV M,A	;ACTIVATE INITIALIZE
LXI H,IFLAG	;LOAD H/L WITH IFLAG ADDRESS
MVI A,01	;
MOV M,A	;SET IFLAG = 1
LXI H,BYTECNT	;LOAD H/L WITH ADDRESS OF BYTE COUNT
MVI A,00	;
MOV M,A	;ZERO BYTE COUNT
LXI H,PAGENUM	;LOAD H/L WITH ADDRESS OF PAGE NUMBER
MOV M,A	;ZERO LO BYTE, PAGE NUMBER
INX H	;
MOV M,A	;ZERO HI BYTE
RET	;
BUSYCHK:MVI C,'3'	;
CALL C0	;
MVI C,BUSY	;SET UP BUSY CHECK BYTE
LXI H,RDSTATUS	;SET UP STATUS READ ADDRESS
MOV A,M	;READ STATUS
CMA	;COMPLIMENT ACCUMULATOR DUE TO REVERSE
	;DATA LINE LOGIC LEVEL
LXI H,STATSV	;SET UP STATUS SAVE
MOV M,A	;STORE CURRENT STATUS





ANI 10H			;MASK ALL BUT BUSY BIT
CMP C			;CHECK FOR BUSY
JZ BUSYCHK			;LOOP IF BUSY
RET			;ELSE RETURN
ORG VRBLS			;VARIABLE STORAGE AREA
WRBUFF	DB	0	;WRITE BUFFER
IFLAG	DB	0	;INITIALIZATION FLAG
BYTECNT	DB	0	;BYTES CURRENTLY READ/WITTEN
PAGENUM	DW	0	;NUMBER OF PAGES CURRENTLY READ OR
			;WRITTEN.
STATSV	DB	0	;CURRENT CONTROLLER STATUS
END 0000H			;



# ; BUBBLE TEST PROGRAM-INTERRUPT CONTROLLED

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ORG 3000H                                ;THIS PROGRAM,THROUGH INTERRUPT DRIVEN
;ROUTINES, UTILIZES THE POWER OF THE BUBBLE CON-
;TROLLER TO OVERCOME BUBBLE ACCESS TIME. CON-
;TROL PASSES TO THE OUTER PROGRAM LEVEL DURING
;BUBBLE ACCESSES TO RETURN THIS 'LOST' TIME
;TO THE MAIN LINE ROUTINE. PROGRAM IS ORGED
;AT 3000H(SBC RAM) TO ALLOW EASY MODIFICATION.

VRBLS EQU 3F00H                          ;VARIABLE STORAGE AREA

LXI SP,3F80H                             ;STACK FROM 3F55H THRU 3F80 INCLUSIVE

TRUE EQU 0FFH                            ;
FALSE EQU 0                                ;
LDPGRGLU EQU 0FFF0H                      ;LOAD PAGE SELECT REGISTER, LO BYTE
LDPGRGHI EQU 0FFF1H                      ;LOAD PAGE SELECT REGISTER, HI BYTE
CONTCOM EQU 0FFF2H                       ;READ CONTROL COMMANDS FROM DATA BUSS
RDBYTE EQU 0FFF3H                        ;READ DATA BYTE FROM BUBBLE
WRBYTE EQU 0FFF4H                        ;WRITE DATA BYTE TO BUBBLE
RDSTATUS EQU 0FFF5H                     ;READ STATUS REGISTER
PGCNTLO EQU 0FFF6H                      ;READ/WRITE NUMBER OF S FOR MULTI-PAGE
;PAGE TRANSFERS, LO BYTE
PGCNTHI EQU 0FFF7H                      ;SAME FOR HI BYTE
LDMINSZLO EQU 0FFF8H                    ;LOAD LOW BYTE, MINOR LOOP SIZE
;(INITIALIZATION ONLY)
LDMINSZHI EQU 0FFF9H                    ;SAME FOR HI BYTE
PGPOSLO EQU 0FFFAH                      ;PAGE POSITION COUNTER, LOW BYTE. USED
;TO SHOW CURRENT PAGE AT TRANSFER GATE
;IN THE BUBBLE
PGPOSHI EQU 0FFFBH                      ;SAME FOR HI BYTE
LDPGSZRG EQU 0FFFCB                     ;LOAD PAGE SIZE REGISTER
RDR0MBYTE EQU 0FFFDH                     ;READ CURRENT REDUNDENCY MAP,
;INCREMENT POINTER
RWSTADDR EQU 0FFFEH                     ;READ REDUNDENCY MAP ADDRESS

INITIAL EQU 1                            ;INITIALIZE THE CONTROLLER
RDPG EQU 2                               ;READ PAGE,SINGLE PAGE MODE
WRPG EQU 4                               ;WRITE PAGE, SINGLE PAGE MODE
SGLP0MD EQU 8                           ;SET SINGLE PAGE MODE
MULPGMD EQU 10H                         ;SET MULTI-PAGE MODE
TESTMD EQU 20H                          ;SET TEST MODE
RESET EQU 40H                           ;SOFTWARE RESET

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INTMSK EQU 80H ;SET CONTROLLER INTERRUPT MASK

MONITOR EQU 08H ;SET MONITOR CALL ADDRESS  
 CO EQU 00FH ;CONSOLE OUT CALL ADDRESS  
 CI EQU 012H ;CONSOLE IN CALL ADDRESS  
 RI EQU 015H ;READER IN CALL ADDRESS  
 PO EQU 018H ;PUNCH OUTPUT CALL ADDRESS  
 ICCP EQU 0DAH ;INTERRUPT COMMAND PORT  
 MSKPT EQU 0DBH ;INTERRUPT MASK PORT  
 ICW1 EQU 16H ;DEFINE INTERRUPT INITIALIZATION  
 IMASK EQU 0 ;INTERRUPT MASK  
 EOIC EQU 20H ;END-OF-INTERRUPT COMMAND WORD

BUSY EQU 10H ;DEFINE BUSY CHECK BYTE

MINLPSIZ EQU 641D ;NUMBER OF POSITIONS ON MINOR LOOP  
 PAGE SIZE EQU 16D ;PAGE SIZE IN BYTES

LXI H,IFLAG ;FETCH IFLAG  
 MVI A,0 ;ZERO ACCUMULATOR  
 MOV M,A ;ZERO FLAG1

CALL CI ;  
 MOV C,A ;SET UP ECHO  
 CALL CO ;ECHO OUT  
 MVI B,0D2H ;CONSOLE INPUT FOR CAP R  
 CMP B ;SEE IF R INPUT IMPLYING READ  
 JZ PAGERD ;IF SO, GO TO READ ROUTINE. ELSE ENTER  
 ;SIMULATED 'OUTER LEVEL' FOR ACCESS TO INT-  
 ;ERRUPT DRIVEN WRITE ROUTINE.

LOOP: LXI H,BUBBLE ;SET UP LOOP TO WAIT FOR INT 6 BEFORE  
 ;ALLOWING INPUT  
 SHLD 3FF9H ;MODIFY INTERRUPT 6 VECTOR IN RAM  
 LXI H,INTPT ;SET UP INTERRUPT 5 VECTOR  
 SHLD 3FF5H ;WRITE INTO RAM  
 MVI C,'L' ;  
 CALL CO ;OUTPUT LOOP TRACE  
 NOP  
 NOP  
 NOP  
 JMP LOOP ;LOOP FOREVER. INT 6 WILL TAKE US TO  
 ;BUBBLE. PAGERD ACCESSED VIA KEYBOARD

BUBBLE: CALL SAVE ;SAVE MAIN PROGRAM STATUS  
 NOP





NOP	
NOP	
CALL INIT	; INITIALIZE IF RCU
LHLD PAGENUM	; LOAD UP DESIRED PAGE
XCHG	;
LXI H, LDPGRCLU	; LOAD UP COMMAND
MOV A, E	;
CMA	; INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M, A	; OUTPUT LO BYTE OF PAGE
INX H	; INCREMENT COMMAND
MOV A, D	;
CMA	; SAME
MOV M, A	; OUTPUT HI BYTE COMMAND
MVI C, '*'	;
CALL CO	; OUTPUT TRACE
CALL CI	; INPUT DATA FROM CONSOLE
LXI H, WRBUFF	; SET UP STORE
MOV M, A	; STORE INPUT DATA IN BUFFER
MOV C, A	; SET UP ECHO
CALL CO	; ECHO INPUT
CALL BUSYCHK	; SEE IF CONTROLLER DONE
LXI D, WRBUFF	;
LDAX D	; MOVE INPUT DATA BACK INTO ACCUMULATOR
LXI H, WRBYTE	; SET UP WRITE COMMAND
CMA	; INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M, A	; WRITE DATA BYTE TO FIFO
LXI H, BYTECNT	; SET UP BYTE COUNT INCREMENT
INR M	; INCREMENT BYTE COUNT (INDIRECT)
MVI A, PAGESIZE	;
CMP M	;
CZ PGWRT	; IF BYTES WRITTEN = PAGE
	; SIZE, WRITE PAGE
MVI C, '8'	;
CALL CO	; TRACE FOR RETURN FROM PAGE WRITE
NOP	
NOP	
NOP	
DI	; DISABLE INTERRUPTS AROUND 8259
	; COMMANDS
MVI A, EOIC	;
OUT ICCP	; OUTPUT END OF INTERRUPT 6
EI	; RE-ENABLE THEM
CALL RESTORE	; RESTORE MAIN PROGRAM STATUS



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RET                                ;RETURN FROM INTERRUPT

PGWRT:  MVI C, '4'                ;
        CALL COUT                 ;OUTPUT TRACE
        NOP
        NOP
        NOP

        CALL BUSYCHK              ;
        LXI H,CONTICOM            ;
        MVI A,INTMSK              ;UNMASK CONTROLLER INTERRUPT TO ALLOW-
        CMA                       ;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
        MOV M,A                   ;-INTERRUPTS TO BE OUTPUT TO CPU
        MVI A,WKPG                ;
        CMA                       ;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
        MOV M,A                   ;PAGE WRITE COMMAND TO CONTROLLER
        RET                       ;RETURN TO OUTER LEVEL PROGRAM WHILE
                                ;CONTROLLER WORKS.

INTPT:  CALL SAVE                  ;SAVE MAIN PROGRAM STATUS ON SECOND
                                ;ENTRY, WHILE COMPLETING BUBBLE CYCLE.

ENDCK:  MVI C, '5'                ;SET UP & OUTPUT TRACE
        CALL COUT                 ;
        NOP
        NOP
        NOP
        CALL BUSYCHK              ;ENSURE CONTROLLER DONE
        MVI A,0                   ;ZERO ACCUMULATOR
        LXI H,CONTICOM            ;
        CMA                       ;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
        MOV M,A                   ;RESET INTERRUPT MASK
        LHLD PAGENUM              ;LOAD ADDRESS OF PAGE NUMBER
        INX H                     ;INCREMENT PAGE NUMBER
        SHLD PAGENUM              ;RESTORE INCREMENTED PAGE NUMBER
        LXI H,PAGENUM            ;
        MOV E,M                   ;PUT HI BYTE OF PAGE NUMBER IN REG E
        INR L                     ;INCREMENT ADDRESS
        MOV D,M                   ;LO BYTE IN D
        LXI H,MINLPSIZ            ;
        MOV A,H                   ;HI BYTE INTO ACCUM
        CMP D                     ;CHECK FOR HI BYTE OF PAGE NUMBER = HI
                                ;BYTE OF MINOR LOOP SIZE
        CZ LOCHK                  ;IF HI BYTES EQUAL, CHECK LO BYTES
        LXI H,BYTECNT             ;LOAD BYTE COUNT STORAGE LOCATION INTO
                                ;THE H/L
        MVI A,0                   ;
        MOV M,A                   ;RESET THE BYTE COUNT TO ZERO
        LXI D,PAGENUM             ;SET UP TO LOAD PAGE SELECT REGISTER

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LDAX D  
LXI H, LDPGRGLU

CMA  
MOV M, A

INX H  
INX D  
LDAX D  
CMA  
MOV M, A

CALL RESTORE

RET

LUCHK: MVI C, '9'  
CALL COUT  
NOP  
NOP  
NOP

MOV A, L  
CMP E  
CZ ZERUPG

RET

ZERUPG: MVI C, 'A'  
CALL COUT  
NOP  
NOP  
NOP

LXI H, PAGENUM  
MVI A, 00  
MOV M, A  
INX H  
MOV M, A

RET

INIT: MVI C, '2'  
CALL COUT  
NOP  
NOP  
NOP

LDA IFLAG  
CPI 1  
RZ

; LOAD ACCUM FROM ADDRESS IN D/E  
; LOAD H/L WITH LOAD PAGE REGISTER LO  
; COMMAND ADDRESS  
; INVERT FOR DATA BUSS  
; OUTPUT PAGE TO PAGE SELECT REGISTER  
; (LO BYTE)

; INCREMENT FOR HI BYTE  
; LOAD IN HI BYTE  
; INVERT FOR DATA BUSS  
; OUTPUT PAGE TO PAGE SELECT REGISTER  
; (HI BYTE)

; RESTORE MAIN PROGRAM STATUS

;

; OUTPUT TRACE

;

; CHECK LO BYTES

; RESET PAGE TO ZERO

; IF AT END OF BUBBLE (LOOP MEMORY)

;

; OUTPUT TRACE

; LOAD H/L WITH ADDRESS OF PAGE NUMBER  
; ZERO ACCUMULATOR

; ZERO HI BYTE, PAGE NUMBER

; INCREMENT

; ZERO LO BYTE

; RETURN TO LOOP MEMORY

;

; OUTPUT TRACE

; SEE IF NEED TO INITIALIZE

; SEE IF SET

; IF INITIALIZED ALREADY, RETURN



CALL BUSYCHK	;
MVI A,PAGESIZE	;
LXI H,LDPGSZRG	;LOAD H/L WITH LOAD PAGE SIZE REGIS-
	;TER COMMAND
CMA	;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M,A	;LOAD PAGE SIZE INTO PAGE SIZE REG
LXI B,MINLPSIZ	;
MOV A,C	;MOVE MINOR LOOP SIZE LO BYTE TO ACCUM
LXI H,LDMINSZLU	;LOAD H/L WITH LOAD MINOR LOOP SIZE LO
	;COMMAND ADDRESS
CMA	;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M,A	;LOAD MINOR LOOP SIZE LO BYTE INTO
	;MINOR LOOP SIZE REGISTER
	;SET UP HI BYTE
MOV A,B	;
INX H	;
CMA	;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M,A	;LOAD MINOR LOOP SIZE, HI BYTE
MVI A,RESET	;SET UP RESET COMMAND
LXI H,CONTCOM	;LOAD H/L WITH CONTROL COMMAND
CMA	;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M,A	;ACTIVATE RESET
MVI A,INITIAL	;SET UP INITIALIZE CMMAND
CMA	;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
MOV M,A	;ACTIVATE INITIALIZE
LXI H,IFLAG	;LOAD H/L WITH IFLAG ADDRESS
MVI A,01	;
MOV M,A	;SET IFLAG = 1
LXI H,BYTECNT	;LOAD H/L WITH ADDRESS OF BYTE COUNT
	;
MVI A,00	;ZERO BYTE COUNT
MOV M,A	;
LXI H,PAGENUM	;LOAD H/L WITH ADDRESS OF PAGE NUMBER
MOV M,A	;ZERO LO BYTE, PAGE NUMBER
INX H	;
MOV M,A	;ZERO HI BYTE
RET	;

SAVE: PUSH H	;SAVE H/L
PUSH D	;SAVE D/E
PUSH B	;SAVE B/C
PUSH PSW	;SAVE ACCUMULATOR AND STATUS FLAGS
RET	

RESTORE:POP PSW	;RESTORE ACCUMULATOR AND STATUS FLAGS
POP B	;RESTORE B/C
POP D	;RESTORE D/E
POP H	;RESTORE H/L
RET	;

BUSYCHK:MVI C,'3'	;
CALL CO	;

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MVI C,BUSY          ;SET UP BUSY CHECK BYTE
LXI H,RDSTATUS      ;SET UP STATUS READ ADDRESS
MOV A,M             ;READ STATUS
CMA                 ;COMPLIMENT DATA TO ACCOUNT FOR
                    ;REVERSE LOGIC DATA LINES
ANI 10H             ;MASK ALL BUT BUSY BIT
CMP C               ;CHECK FOR BUSY
JZ BUSYCHK          ;LOOP IF BUSY
RET                 ;ELSE RETURN

PAGE RD: MVI C,'&'  ;
          CALL CG    ;OUTPUT TRACE
          CALL INIT  ;INITIALIZE IF RGD
PAGE RD: CALL BUSYCHK ;
          LXI H,CONTCOM ;
          MVI A,RDPG  ;
          CMA         ;INVERT FOR DATA BUSS
          MOV M,A     ;OUTPUT READ PAGE COMMAND. A PAGE OF
                    ;BUBBLE DATA WILL NOW BE READ INTO THE
                    ;FIFO UNDER CONTROL OF THE CONTROLLER
          CALL BUSYCHK ;WAIT TILL DONE

BYTE RD: LXI H,RDBYTE ;
          MOV A,M      ;TRANSFER IN A BYTE FROM THE FIFO
          CMA         ;INVERT INCOMING DATA
          ADI 30H      ;ASCII ENCODE FOR DISPLAY
          MOV C,A      ;TRANSFER TO C FOR OUTPUT
          CALL CG      ;OUTPUT CHARACTER

          LXI H,BYTECNT ;
          INR M        ;INCREMENT BYTE COUNTER
          MVI A,PAGESIZE ;
          CMP M        ;CHECK TO SEE IF ALL OF FIFO TRANS-
                    ;FERRED
          JNZ BYTERD   ;IF NOT DONE, LOOP
          CALL ENDCK   ;IF DONE, INCREMENT AND ZERO
          JMP PG RD    ;LOOP UNTIL ENDCK CAUSES HALT

ORG VRBLS           ;VARIABLE STORAGE AREA

WRBUFF DB 0          ;WRITE BUFFER
IFLAG DB 0           ;INITIALIZATION FLAG
BYTECNT DB 0         ;BYTES CURRENTLY READ/WITTEN
PAGE NUM DW 0        ;NUMBER OF PAGES CURRENTLY READ OR
                    ;WRITTEN.

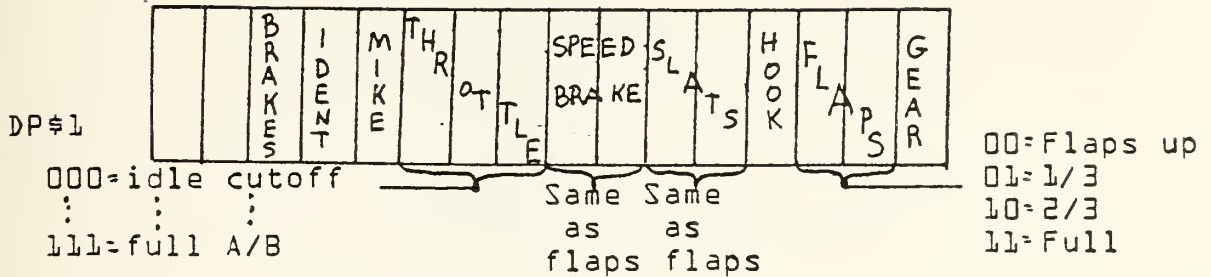
END 3000H           ;

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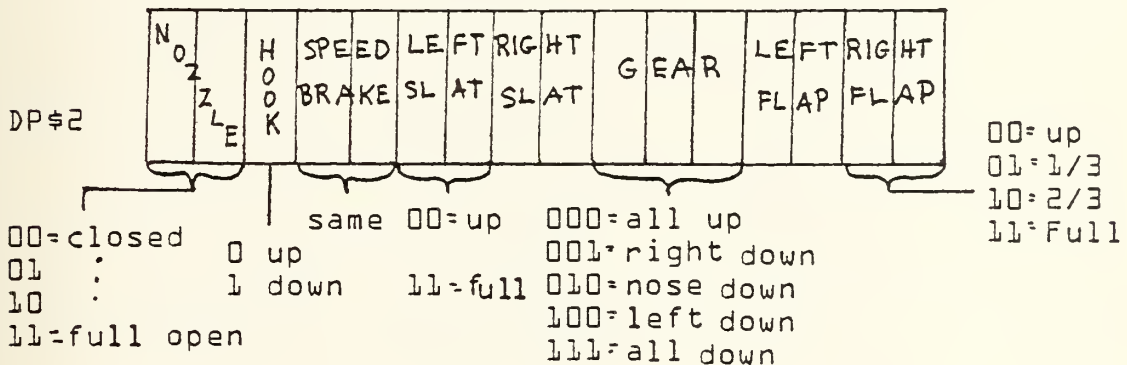
TABLE IV  
DISCRETE PARAMETERS



16 BIT DISCRETE PARAMETER 1

Pilot inputs

EXAMPLE: DP#1 = 0000110000111111 = 0C3Fh is a current pilot input of geardown, full flaps and slates, hook down, no speed, brake, intermediate throttle, with the pilots mike keyed.



EXAMPLE: DP#2 = 0001111010000011 = 1E83h is a current aircraft state in which the engine nozzle is full closed, hook is up, speed brake is fully extended, the left slat is full down, the right slat is 1/3 down, all gear indicate up, the left flap is full up, and the right flap is full down.



# INITIALIZATION

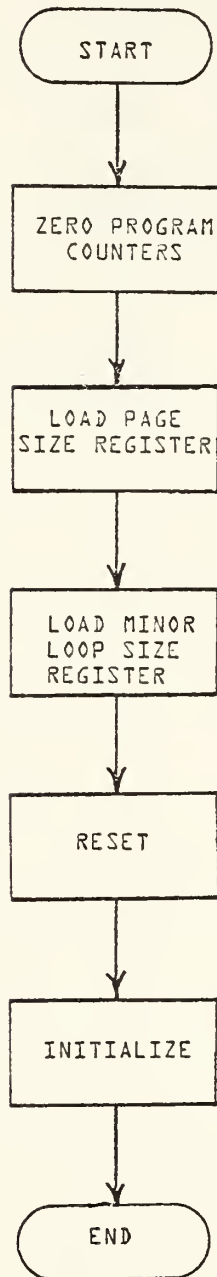


FIGURE 15



SINGLE PAGE READ OR WRITE

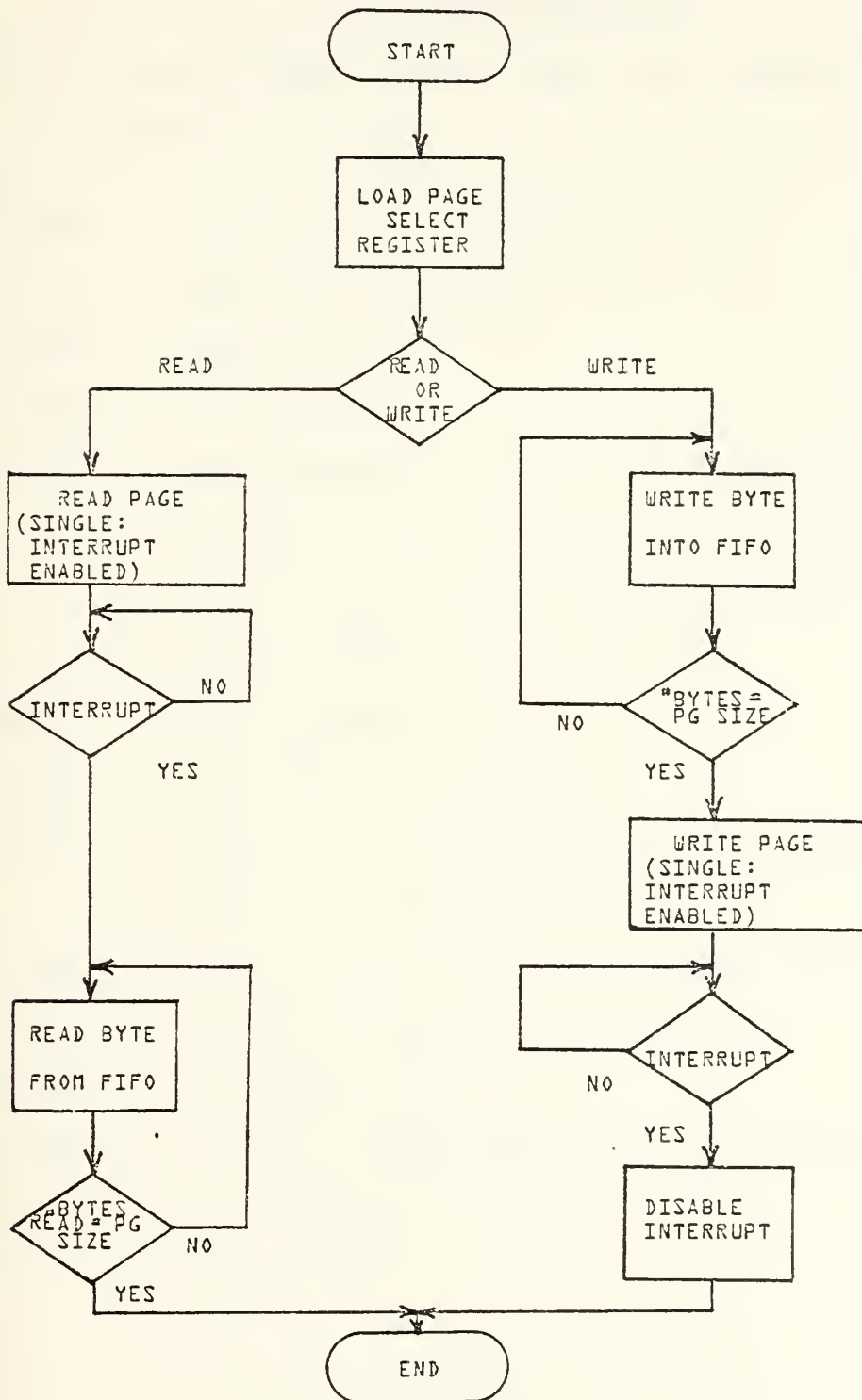


FIGURE 16





TABLE V  
DATA RECORDER MEMORY MAP

NOTE: Includes ICOM PROM programmer board with resident monitor, and controller memory usage.

0000-06AE	EPROM system 80/20-4 monitor	(chips 0,1)
06AF-07FF	Remaining usable EPROM	(chip 1)
0800-0BFF	Usable EPROM	(chip 2)
0C00-0FFF	Usable EPROM	(chip 3)
1000-1FFF	Not implemented; may be utilized to double low EPROM memory by switching to Intel 2716 (2KX8) EPROMS in the first four sockets with appropriate adjustments (Reference [3], pp. 2-15).	
2000-2FFF	Not implemented	
3000-3CTF	User RAM	
3C20-3015	User RAM: also used by ICOM PROM programmer monitor when control passed to programmer.	
3D16-3F80	User RAM. Stack must start at 3F80 (push down).	
3F81-3FFF	SBC 80/20-4 monitor reserved RAM.	
4000-BFFF	Not implemented	
C000-DBFF	7K BYTES of EPROM (2708) memory on ICOM PROM programmer board, available for program use.	



DC00-DFFF	Programmer Monitor. If this last 1K is needed, the programmer monitor may be removed and another EPROM put in its place.
C000-EFFF	Not implemented.
FFF0-FFFE	Bubble controller mapped in this area.
FFFF	Not implemented.



TABLE VI  
MDS MEMORY MAP UNDER ICE/80

0000-0023	ISIS interrupts (0-2)	ICE80 interrupts
0024-0031	ICE80 interrupt (3)	
0032-0063	User interrupts (4-7)	
0064-2FFF	ISIS resident area	
3000-5FFF	Ice 80 resident area	
6000-F6BF	User RAM. Note: User symbol table in the top of user RAM	
FGC0-F7FF	318 locations for ICE 80 variables	
F800-FFFF	MDS monitor (64K contiguous RAM)	

Based on this map, the only MDS memory available to the ICE 80 X Form Memory Commands are blocks 6-E inclusive (36K).





## APPENDIX C

### CONSTRUCTION NOTES

#### A. GENERAL

Pertinent construction details not found in listed references follow. Wiring diagrams for all cabling and special circuitry are included. Component placement on the prototype board is indicated. Specific hardware related problems unsolved at this time are reviewed.

#### B. MICROCOMPUTER

The system 80/20 was utilized essentially as shipped. The following changes were incorporated to facilitate MBM module interface.

##### 1. Fail Safe Timer

The Fail Safe Timer input to the Ready Circuit was disabled by removal of the jumper between taps 137-138. The function of the Fail Safe Timer is to supply, in default, the acknowledgement signal when an off board memory access is made, to prevent CPU hang-ups due to software error. The timer will furnish this signal, if no other device does, after 10ms of wait time. The controller utilizes its ready output to control this circuit. The ready signal is output high to the interface board, to a 4.7K pull up resistor tied to  $\pm 5V$ . This is then inverted and tied to the Transfer In (SBC P1/23) line to the master bus controller, furnishing a continuous acknowledge signal. If the controller requires additional time, it pulls its ready line low, which in turn pulls the CPU ready line low. This is repeated as often as required.



Removal of jumper 137-138 is not required for system operation after the test phase, and should be re-installed to return full capability to the SBC.

## 2. EIA Interface

Pins eight and ten of SBC plug J 3 were jumper shorted on the SBC card back to provide EIA Clear To Send to the Terminal output (Reference [3], pp. 2-20).

## 3. Interrupt Implementation

Taps 31 and 36-39 were jumped together to allow use of interrupts, without utilizing all of interrupt seven's inputs. This is described in Reference [1], pages 2-16. Additionally, interrupts five and six were implemented by jumping taps 21 to 48, and 30 to 49 respectively.

## 4. Master Bus

Once the system 80/20 mother board, J5/15 was jumpered to J4/15 to provide an interface board ground to "lock" the SBC onto the bus as bus master whenever the interface board is inserted. This supplies a ground to the SBC Bus Priority In (BPRN/) signal and saves bus access time every time the controller is accessed. This same gain may be realized by outputting the Bus Override signal to the Master Bus Controller via Software (Reference [10], pp. 4-7: "Multibus Override").

## 5. System Reset

Reset was jumped from J5A/38 to J4A/38 to provide System Reset to the interface board and magnetic bubble module.

## C. CONTROLLER BOARD

Controller board implementation is as described in Chapter II and Reference 7, except as indicated below.



### 1. Interrupt

The low level interrupt from the controller is not carried across the board to the master bus. This should be wired across to interrupt 5/.

### 2. Counters

U9 and U5 are SN74LS163A and need to be replaced with SN74S163A. The lower power Schottky version of these counters was not sufficiently fast and must be replaced with the straight Schottky version. TI indicated it will supply these in the near future.

### 3. ROMS

U1 and U2 may need to be replaced. Validation of ROM contents to ensure they agree with Section II must be accomplished. Validation of U11, the redundancy mask might also be checked.

### 4. Addressing

Address Lines listed on Reference 7 are implemented differently. Table VII indicates the correspondence.

### 5. Wiring

Jumper Pad 14 is connected to Pad 15. This is omitted on the schematic (Reference [7]).

### 6. Power Failure

The power failure circuitry is not connected between the system 80/20 and the controller input.

## D. MBM BOARD

Magnetic Bubble Memory Board implementation is as listed in Reference [8] with the following exceptions:





## 1. Capacitors

C1-C12 are incorrect. This was discovered quite late in the research. The incorrect milspec part was supplied. The current capacitors are much too small. The correct part number is M39014/01-1473. These parts have been ordered.

## 2. Diodes

The Schottky diodes were unavailable in the part number indicated. A higher voltage rating unit was substituted.

## E. INPUT/OUTPUT

A Texas Instruments Silent 700 model 745 was obtained for a field test terminal. As shipped it is not configured for this purpose and was modified to interface to the SBC. Internal jumpers were removed to disable the acoustic coupler inputs for TX Data, RX Data, and Data Carrier Detect. This is required to prevent external noise input during operation. An interface cable was then constructed to operate the unit.

This cable is equally compatible with the Intel MDS 800 to allow for maximum peripheral interchangeability during development. Operation of the MDS with the Silent 700 is implemented at 300 BAUD. The Monitor Module has been modified to allow switch selection of 300 or 2400 Baud rate for the CRT interface, as the silent 700 printer is an EIA CRT interface. For 300 BAUD, switch one is on, with the other four off. Similarly for 2400 BAUD, switch five must be on alone.

Operation of the SBC with the Silent 700 is slightly different in that the keyboard is not implemented for lower case ASCII letters. As such, for automatic BAUD rate selection after SBC reset, the shift key



is not utilized to obtain an upper case "V". Simply depress the "V" key six times to receive the monitor sign on message.

Operation of the terminal through the usual acoustic coupler is still possible, as a jumper plug was fabricated. Installed in J1, in place of the interface cable, it restores the Silent 700 to original configuration. The jumper is constructed by shorting P1/11 to P1/2, P1/12 to P1/8, and P1/13 to P1/3.

#### F. EXTERNAL SUPPLY

Reference [6] indicates the MBM board will operate on  $\pm 5$  VDC and  $\pm 12$  VDC. This was a major factor in the decision to undertake MBM research in connection with the construction of the data recorder, as the SBC power bus provides only these voltages. In fact, an additional voltage of +17 VDC is required. TI indicates this will be designed out in future board designs. For now this requires an external supply.

Analysis of the SBC power supply indicates it might be possible to tap the unregulated output of the +18 VDC winding and construct a regulated +17 VDC supply within the System 80/20 frame. Schematics were obtained but this has not yet been carried out.



TABLE VII

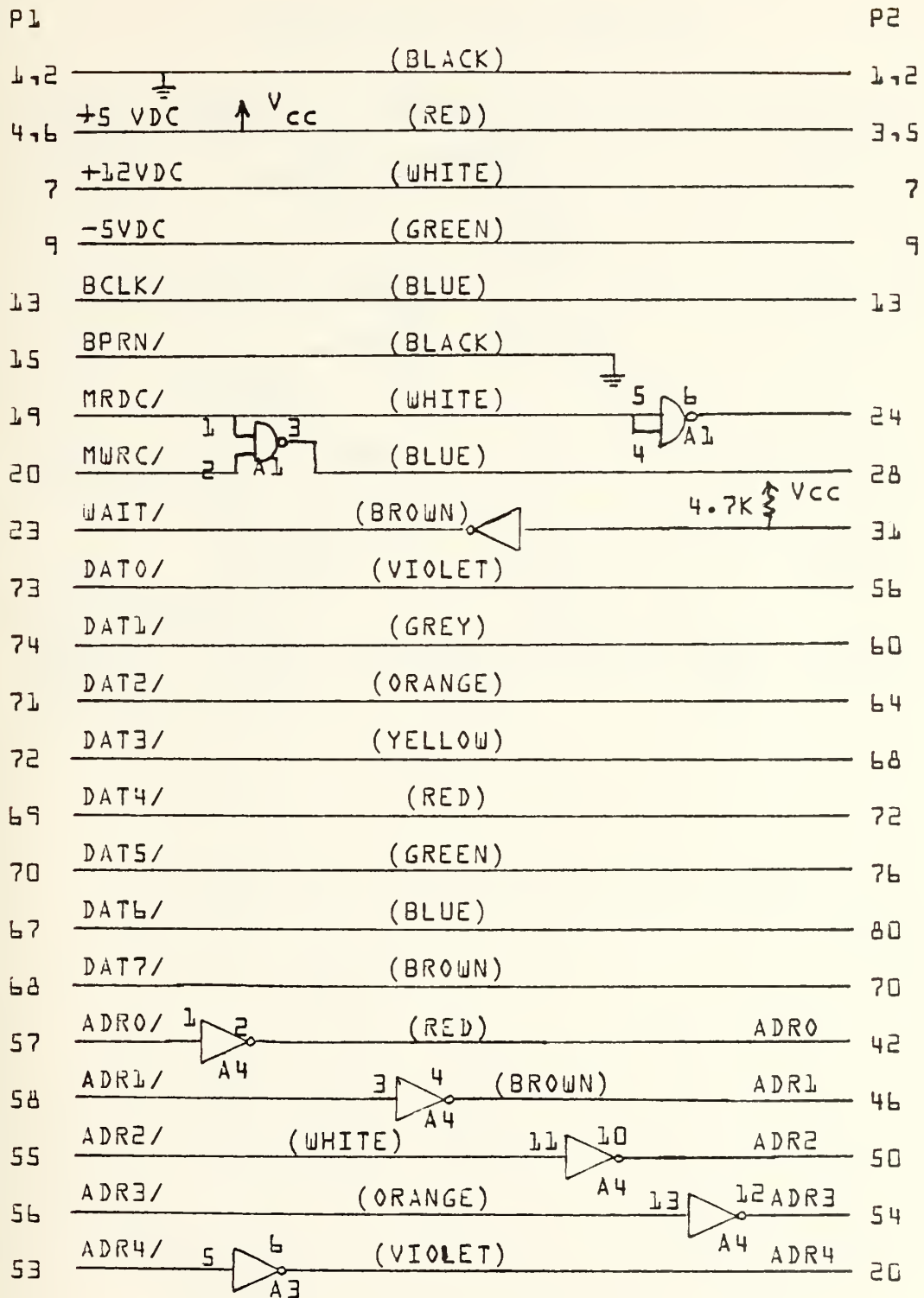
## ADDRESS LINE CORRESPONDENCE

SCHEMATIC ADDRESS LINE	PIN NO.  P2	MASTER BUS  ADDRESS
14	21	0
13	23	1
12	25	2
11	27	3
2	10	4
1	8	5
0	6	6
10	9	7
9	11	8
8	13	9
7	7	A
6	2	B
5	3	C
4	5	D
3	15	E and F





TABLE VIII  
INTERFACE BOARD SCHEMATIC





# INTERFACE BOARD SCHEMATIC

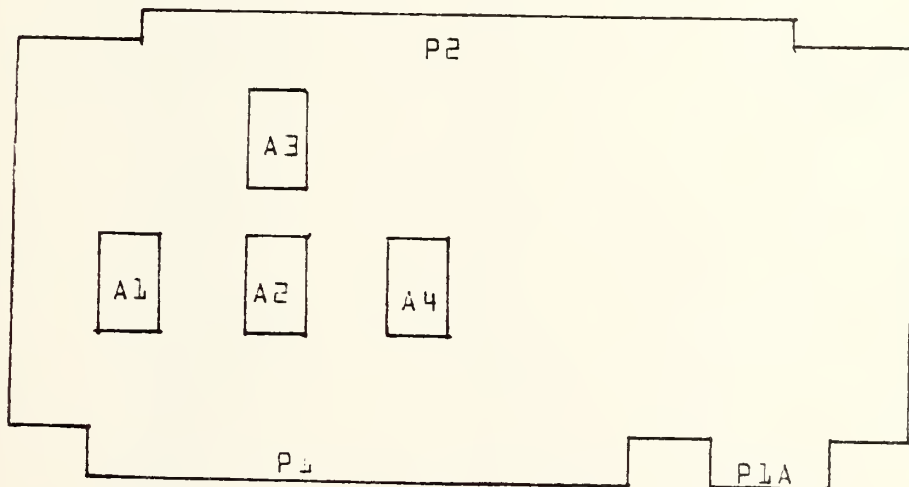
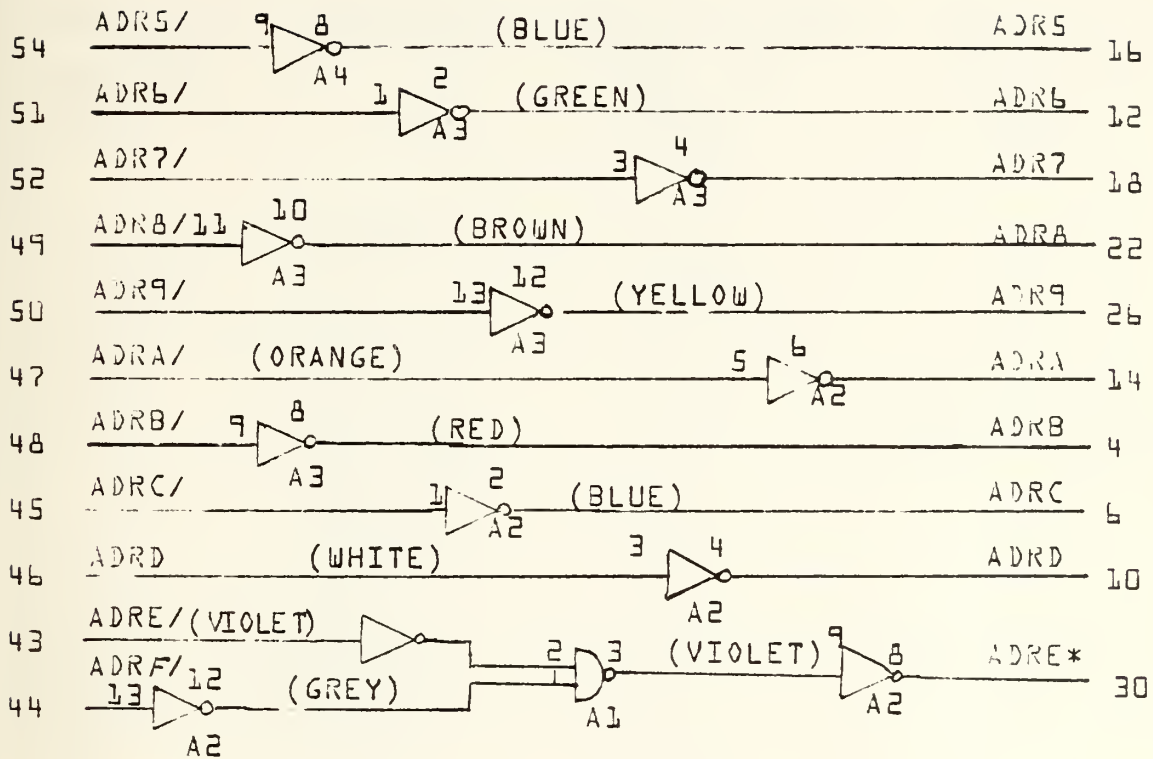




TABLE IX

## CONTROLLER/BUBBLE CAGE BACKPLANE

MBM BOARD PLUG P1 PIN*	FUNCTION	CONTROLLER BOARD PLUG P1 PIN*	INTERFACE BOARD PLUG P2 PIN*
1,A	GROUND	1	1
2,21,B,Y	+5 V	21	5
3,11,12,13	+12 VDC	3	4
C,M,N,	+12 VDC	3	4
4,D,P	+17 VDC	D	EXTERNAL SUPPLY
5	DAT OUT	5	
6	XOUT/	6	
7-8	UNUSED	---	---
9	ANN/	9	
10	UNUSED	---	---
14-15	UNUSED	---	---
16	CYA/	16	
17	XIN/	14	
18	CXB/	17	
19	CLAMP/	11	
20	STROBE/	13	
22,Z	-5 VDC	22	2&3
E	BDEN/	1	
F-J	UNUSED	---	---
K	REP/	K	
L	UNUSED	---	---
R	UNUSED	---	---
S	CYB/	S	
T	GEN/	12	
U	CXA/	T	
V-X	UNUSED	---	---





TABLE X  
CABLE-INTERFACE BOARD TO CONTROLLER

INTERFACE BOARD PLUG P-2/CABLE SOCKET J2-A	CONTROLLER PLUG P2 CABLE SOCKET J2-B
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PIN *	FUNCTION	COLOR	PIN*
A-1	SIGNAL GROUND	BROWN	1
A-2	ADDRESS (B)	RED	2
A-3	ADDRESS (C)	ORANGE	3
A-4	BOARD SELECT(A)	YELLOW	4
A-5	ADDRESS (D)	GREEN	5
A-6	ADDRESS(6)	BLUE	6
A-7	ADDRESS(A)	VIOLET	7
A-8	ADDRESS(5)	GREY	8
A-9	ADDRESS(7)	WHITE	9
A-10	ADDRESS(4)	BLACK	10
A-11	ADDRESS(8)	BROWN	11
A-12	DBIN	RED	12
A-13	ADDRESS(9)	ORANGE	13
A-14	MEMEN	YELLOW	14
A-15	ADDRESS(E)	GREEN	15
A-16	BOARD SELECT(C)	BLUE	16
A-17	HARDWARE RESET	VIOLET	17
A-18	BOARD SELECT(B)	GREY	18
A-19	POWER BAD	WHITE	19
A-20	-----	BLACK	20
A-21	ADDRESS(0)	BROWN	21
A-22	-----	RED	22
A-23	ADDRESS(1)	ORANGE	23
A-24	-----	YELLOW	24
A-25	ADDRESS(2)	GREEN	25



PIN*	FUNCTION	COLOR	PIN*
A-26	-----	BLUE	26
A-27	ADDRESS(3)	VIOLET	27
A-28	DATA(0)	GREY	28
A-29	CLOCK (Φ2)	WHITE	29
A-30	DATA(1)	BLACK	30
A-31	READY TO MICROPROCESSOR	BROWN	31
A-32	DATA(2)	RED	32
A-33	-----	ORANGE	33
A-34	DATA(3)	YELLOW	34
A-35	DATA(7)	GREEN	35
A-36	DATA(4)	BLUE	36
A-37	-----	VIOLET	37
A-38	DATA(5)	GREY	38
A-39	INTERRUPT TO CPU	WHITE	39
A-40	DATA(6)	BLACK	40

# CONNECTIONS FROM J2-A/B TO CARDCAGE BACK PLANE

			MBM BOARD PIN *
B-1	GROUND	BLACK	1
B-2	+5VDC	RED	22
B-3	+5VDC	RED	22
B-4	+12VDC	WHITE	12
B-5	-5VDC	GREEN	2
---	UNUSED	BLUE	---
EXTERNAL SUPPLY	+17V	BROWN(PURPLE)	4

NOTE: J2-A IS A 100 PIN EDGE CARD CONNECTION. .  
J2+B IS A 40 PIN A-D PRODUCTS CONNECTOR.



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